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# RECORDS

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### PREFACE.

The second volume of the Plymouth Records is published by authority of a vote of the Town of Plymouth, passed at its annual meeting held on the 17th of March, 1890:

"That the committee on the publication of the Town Records be authorized to continue the publication through a second volume, and as much farther as they think expedient until otherwise ordered by the Town."

The first volume of three hundred and thirty-six pages included the first volume of the original records and ninety-eight pages of the second, and closed with the record of the town meeting held May 21st, 1705. The present volume of three hundred and fifty-two pages includes the remainder of the second volume of the original records, and one hundred and four pages of the third. Its contents are devoted chiefly to records of meetings, grants of land, the laying out of streets, and to votes relating to the prudential affairs of the town.

The first volume closed with records made by Elder Thomas Faunce, to whom reference was made in the introduction to that volume. He held the office of town clerk until the 2d of March,

1723-4, when at the age of 77 he was superceded by John Dyer, after a service of thirty-nine years.

John Dyer served from March 2d, 1723-4, until March 3d, 1739-40, with the exception of the year beginning March 1, 1732-3, during which the office of clerk was held by Gershom Foster. Mr. Dyer, born in 1671, was probably the son of John Dyer of Weymouth. He came to Plymouth in 1698, and in that year bought of William Bradford, the son of Governor Bradford, the lot of land on the southeasterly side of Leyden Street, on which the house with a brick end stands opposite the Universalist Church. The lot is described in the deed as running on the street northeasterly "as far as the northeasterly corner of the old store house which formerly stood on the lot." By this deed the precise location is defined of probably one of the earliest structures of the Colony. Mr. Dyer taught school in Plymouth during a few months in the year 1700, and became a prominent and valuable citizen. He was a member of the board of selectmen from 1709 to 1734 inclusive, town treasurer from 1701 to 1732, and occasionally served as moderator at town meetings.

Gershom Foster was chosen clerk March 1, 1732-3, and served one year. He was the son of John and Hannah (Stetson) Foster, and was born in 1709. At the age of twenty-four he was chosen clerk, and at the same time served as town treasurer.

Edward Winslow was chosen town clerk March 3, 1739-40, and held office until January, 1741-2. He was subsequently a member of the board of selectmen from 1757 to 1765 inclusive, town treasurer in 1760, and occasionally a moderator. He was a son of Isaac, grandson of Josiah, and great grandson of Edward Winslow, of the Mayflower. General John Winslow was his brother. Before the revolution he held the office of collector of Plymouth, register of wills, and clerk of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas. As a loyalist, he was deprived of his offices in 1775, and for several years afterwards lived in reduced circum-

stances in the house on North Street, built by him, and now known as the Winslow House. In December, 1781, he was permitted to go to New York, and reached the British garrison there with a part of his family, the remainder afterwards joining Sir Henry Clinton allowed him a pension of two hundred pounds per annum, with rations and fuel, and on the 30th of August, 1783, he embarked for Halifax, with wife and daughters and three black servants, where he arrived on the 14th of September, and died in 1785. His estate in Plymouth, valued at fifteen hundred pounds, was taken in 1782, on executions by the town of Plymouth, Thomas Davis, William Thomas, Oakes Angier, and John Rowe, of Gloucester, and sold by them by deeds, dated in 1782, 1789, 1790, and 1791, to Thomas Jackson. His son Edward, born in 1746, graduated at Harvard in 1765, and besides the office of naval officer of Plymouth, held jointly with his father the offices of clerk of the court and register of wills. A loyalist, also, he joined the British in Boston and went to Lexington with Lord Percy on the memorable 19th of April. was appointed by General Gage collector of Boston and register of wills for Suffolk County. At the evacution of Boston he went to Halifax, and was there appointed by Sir William Howe secretary to the board of general officers, with Lord Percy president, for the distribution of donations to the troops. He afterwards returned to New York, and was appointed muster master general of the British forces, and remained in America in that capacity during the war. After the declaration of peace he joined his father in Halifax, where he remained until after the death of his father in 1785, when he removed to Frederickton, New Brunswick, and died in 1815.

Of Samuel Bartlett, who held the office of town clerk from January, 1741-2, until March, 1766, little is known, except that he was born in 1688, and was the son of Benjamin, and grandson of Robert Bartlett, who came in the Ann in 1623. His son Samuel, was an enterprising merchant in Plymouth many years,

and grandfather of Capt. Joseph Bartlett, whom older readers will remember as one of Plymouth's most active and enterprising citizens.

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# PLYMOUTH RECORDS.

The settling A Scoole in The Town for 7 years

[99.] At a Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 17th of September 1705 The Town voated to raise 30 pounds by rate upon ye Inhabitants of sd Town wherof 10 pounds is to be towards paying for the scoole yt is to be kept in ye Town for the yeer ensuing & the other 20 pounds to defraying Town Charges.

And whearas sundry of the Inhabitants have subscribed themselves To becombound to pay Twenty pounds per year Towards the support of A scoole in ye Town for the next 7 years ensuing begining in october Next ensuing this date provided that A scoole Master be provided & settled nere about or within 40 Rod of the old meeting hous in sd Town & that the sd Town pay 20 pounds per yeare during sd Time of 7 years & all children sent to sd scoole excepting ye children of sd subscribers yt is become bound to pay ye 20 pound as abovesd That lives within one mile of sd scoole shall pay 4 pence per weke for latten writing or sifering & 2 pence a weke for reading & all those yt are without ye bounds of one mile & within the bounds of 2 Mils to pay 2 pence pr weke for latten writing or sifering & one peney for Reading Excepting the Children of such as through poverty are Rendered oncapable to pay, Their Children to goe free at scole & all without the bounds of two Mils to Com free & all fines yt are by the law devoted towards the support of a scoole & the money to be paid pr weke as abovesd to be Improved towards paying ye Towns part of sd 20 pounds & ye subscribers to have noe benifitt therby.

And if in Case A County scoole be settled by the Court before sd Tirme of 7 years be Expired Then these obligations both on ye Town part and the subscribers to be void & of none Efect And The Town voted to provid a scoole Master for ye above sd 7 years on the above Named Conditions & Chose Mr

Nathaniel Thomas Mr John Mordo & Ensign Nathaniel Morton to agre with a scool Master & Made Choyce of the Town Clerk to Take bonds of the subscribers as above mentioned

The land Granted by the Town of plimouth to John Rickard Junior for three pounds & ten shillings in money is bounded as followeth (viz) it lyeth on ye Northerly End of his other land neer Wanatuxet & it Extendeth from a white oake tree which was the Northwesterly Corner bounds of his other land Northerly to ye brook on River yt Runeth from lakenham to Wonatuxet & then bounded down yt River to ye place where annasnappet brook Coms into it & then bounded by Annasnapet brook up sd brook till it Cometh to a bunch of Maples which was the Northeast Corner bounds of his other land afore Mentioned & on ye southwest bounded bounded by his other land till it Coms to ye bounds first mentioned

Rickard
John his
land
Recorded
yt he bought

John Bradford Nathaniel Morton William Shurtlif

<sup>1</sup> At a Town meeting held at Plimouth on ye 12<sup>th</sup> of december 1705 at sd Meeting Richard Seeres John Rider Eleazar Jacson & Eleasar Roggers Were Chosen to serve on ye Jury of Tryals on the Cort in sd Month

### [100.] Plimouth May 10th 1705

Cooke Jacob Senior his 6 acres of land here Recorded Whereas at A Town Meeting at Plimouth May 16<sup>th</sup> 1673 The town Granted unto Jacob Cook Senior 6 Acrees of land lying neere his meadow at Wonatuxet on ye Easterly side therof & ye heirs of Left John Tomson deceased Apearing in the Right of sd Jacob Cook I have measured & bounded unto them ye said 6 Acrees of land as ffolloweth begining at ye Westerly Corner bound of ye meadow which was formerly ye sd Jacob Cooks being A white oake tree Marked &

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> At this date there were two County Courts, a Court of General Sessions of the Peace, held by Justices of the Peace, and an Inferior Court of Common Pleas, held by four judges appointed by the Provincial Government.

from thence southeast & by East 56 pole to A small pine tree marked & from thence Northeast A quorter of A point Easterly Eighty foure pole to A grate white oake Marked by ye Northerly side of ye swompe Neere ye Meadow & from thence Northwest & by west half a point Westerly 13 pole to A stake standing about 2 pole from ye meadow side at ye Raing of ye Easterly End of ye aforesd lot of Meadow yt was ye aforesd Jacob Cooks Meadow formerly & from thence bounded by sd lot of Meadow unto ye white oake first Mentioned.

 $\left. \begin{array}{l} William \; Shurtlif \\ Saumel \; Stirtevant \end{array} \right\} Surveyors$ 

Att a Town Metting held att Plimouth on ye first of March 170g The Selectt Men Chosen by ye Inhabittants are Nathaniell Mortton Caleb Lorein and John Watson. The Cunstables Chosen are Capt John Dyer Samuel Stirtevant and James Clark Junior The Grandjuriors for ye yeare are Ephraim Cole William harlow John Foster & Jonathan Shaw The Tithing men are Samuell harlow Benjamin Bartlett & Bennony Shaw The Fence Veiuers Are Elknath Cushman Josiah Finey and John holmes The Surveyers for ye high Wayes are Ebenazer holmes Robertt Bartlett Benjamin Soule Ebenazar Cob Georg bonham Thomas howland and Jonathan Bryant Capt John Dyer Chosen Sealer for Weights and Measures Jam's Barnabe Chosen Sealer of Leather The Grand Juriors Chosen To serve att ye Superior Courtt are Serg Churchell Elknath Cushman and James Barnabe The petty Juriors Chosen To serve at sd Court are Ephriaim Mortton Deacon Wattermon Thomas howland Eliazer Ring Thomas Mortton & Benjamin Soule The Juriors Chosen To Serve att ve Inferior Courtt Are Bennony Lucas John Rider John Barns & Isaac Dotty The Hog Cunstables

Memoranan ye Hog cunst is are not To seize Swine before ye first of Aprill next.

Chosen are Mr Nath 11 Thomas Nathaniell Warren Thomas Little Isaac Lathrop Jacob Cook Calleb Lorein Samuel Rider & John Pratt.

At sd Metting ye Town made Confirmattion of ye former Vot Relatting To ve Killing of Black birds & That 2 Crowes heads shall be Vallued as 6 black birds and That ye Persons Chosen ye Last yeare are also Impowred This yeare Alsoe To Take ye acount Thereof.

At sd Metting Thomas Faunce Chosen Town Clerk for This Present veare

The sd Metting Was Adjourned untill ye Second Monday of March, at sd Day severall of the Inhabitants Mett but the season being such yt ye people Could not Generaly mete

<sup>1</sup> The Meeting Was Adjorned untill Wensday the 20th of this Instant March thee lower sosiaty to meet by nine in the Morning of sd Day

Ministes sallerey

<sup>2</sup>[101.] At A Meeting of the Inhabitants of ye lower sosiaty of plimouth on the 20th of March 1706 The sd Inhabitants abovesd voted to Alow unto Mer Ephraim Little their present Minister the sum of seaventy pounds per yeare for his sallerey untill the sd Inhabitants shall se Caus other wise to order

The Meting house

At sd Meeting it Was voted that ye Meeting house be Repared with shingle & Clabord where they are Wanting & shuters to ye lower Windows & Mer John Mordo is Desired & Improved by sd Inhabitants to take Care to procure sd worke don

At sd Meting Capten James Warren Was Desired & Improved by sd Town to search the Cort Records Relating to order of Court about Jons River & Eal River bridges & to apply him self to the Next County Court at Barnstable that order may be taken for their Reparation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The lower society was the old church society of Plymouth. society was the society at what is now Plympton. The upper

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Rev. Ephraim Little was a native of Marshfield, and graduated at Harvard in 1695. He was settled in 1699, and continued in the pastorate until his death on the 23d of November, 1723.

scoole

At sd meeting Insigne Nathaniel Morton & John Watson were Desired and Invested with full power by the Town to Call those persons to an account yt Doe either neglect or Refuse to pay what they are obledged to by Town act Relating to the scoole in sd Town

Plymouth May 8th 1705 laid out & bounded the 20 acrees of land Granted by the Town of of Plimouth unto Jacob Michell as followeth bounded on the southerly side therof by the land of Major John bradford on the North side of Jons River & on the westerly End therof its bounded from a bunch of Maples Marked by the River which is ye foot bounds of sd bradfords land Rainging Due North 37 pole to a pine tree Marked on the brow of a hill by the Gravill pitt & from thence the Northerly side therof Rainging East & by North A quorter of a point Northerly 76 pole to a black oak tre marked on the side of a hill & on the Easterly End thereof its bounded by the brow of ye hill which is the bounds of the land of William bradford untill it meets with ye land of Major John bradford aforesd John Bradford Survys Samuel Stirtevant

The 10 Acrees of land Granted to John Tilsons Meadow at Southmeadows was laid out Against his meadow & bounded as ffolloweth (viz) With a pine tree on the Westward side of his meadow Marked on 4 sids & from thence to Extend near North & by west half a point westerly about 60 pole to an other pine tree marked & from thence to Extend Neere East & by North 56 pole to a white oake sappling Marked on 4 sids and from thence bounded by Churchels George Mortons and his own Meadows to the bounds first Mentioned this was laid out on the sixth of May 1705 by

William Shirtlif
Nathaniel Morton

Sury

Michell Jacob his 20 acres

Tilson John his 10 acres of land

Plimouth Novembr 20th 1705 laid out to Sam 11 Rickard Thirty acres of land being the one half of his sixty acre lott in his own Right in sd Plimouth; the Thirty Acres is Bounded on ye North side thereof by Annisnapitt Brook; and on the East End thereof it is bounded by the Eight Acres which is part of the Twenty Acre Lott of the sd Sam<sup>11</sup> Rickard from a stake by sd Brook Rangeing Due South Sixty one Pole to a stake neer the Range of the Forty Acre Lott laid out to Deacon John Rickard and Joseph King Jun and from thence by the Range of sd Forty Acre Lott Due West Fifty three Pole to ye North West Corner thereof, and from thence on ye same Range Due West thirty six pole to a stake sett in ye ground on ye side of a Hill and from thence Due North Forty Eight Pole to a maple Tree marked in ye Edge of ye aforesd Brook

Rickard Sam<sup>11</sup> 30 Acres

 $\begin{array}{c} \mbox{John Bradford} \\ \mbox{Sam}^{11} \mbox{ Sturtevant} \end{array} \right\} \ \ \mbox{Surveyors.}$ 

[102.] An Agrement Made between John holmes & Ebenazar Cobb both of plimouth within the County of plimouth within ye province of ye Massachusets bay in New England Relating to the settlement of the Rainge betwen their lots of land on which they now live on whis settled & Agreed on as ffolloweth (viz) begining at a stone set into ye ground at ye high Cleft 1 soe Caled & from thence to Extend West southwest half a point Westerly the Whole length of our sd lots untill it meets with the land ye said Cobb bought of the heirs of John Dunham late of plimouth Deceased & there bounded with a heape of stons which is the Corner bounds and from thence to a Rock by the brook & from sd Rock to Extend Neere about the same Rainge to another Rock & 2 Red oake sapplings Marked by it & from thence the line to Extend southwest ffour scoore pole up to a stake & a heape of stones & from sd stones to Rainge southeast six pole to two Red oake sapplings Marked & then to Extend southwest till it Coms to a stone sett up betwen two small Red oaks sapplings The bounds

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> High Cliff is here meant.

above mentioned We the said John holmes & Ebenazar Cobb Doo by these presence Mutually agree shall stand Good & Remain firme to us & our heirs & assignes for Ever as Witnes our hands & seals hereunto sett on on the first Day of Aprill 1706

 $\left. \begin{array}{c} \text{John holmes} \\ \text{Ebenazar Cobb} \end{array} \right\} \text{Seals} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \text{O} \end{array}$ 

At a Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 13th of May 1706

Town Meeting
Choyce of A
Representative
Jurrors
Chosen.
Agents to
Repare ye
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70 pound
Rate

Leften Nathaniel Morton Was Chosen Representative At sd meeting The Jurors Chosen to serve at the County Court in June next are Adams Joseph Silvester Jonathan ffrances Bryant & John Morton Major Bradford & Benjamin Warren Were Chosen Towns Agents to agree with som persons About Repareing Jons River & Eele River Bridges; & at sd Meeting it was voted to Make a Rate of 70 pounds for ye Defraying Towns Charges for this present yeare & at sd meeting it was voted to build A Watch house upon Cooles hill so Called & apointed Capt Warren to procure it Dun

Att a Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 2<sup>d</sup> of September for ye Choyce of Jurors Which Were Benjamin Warren Abiall Shurtlef Elisha Bradford & John Bryant Senor

At A Town Meeting held at plimouth on the 16<sup>th</sup>
Choice day of December 1706 for ye Choyce of Jurorrors & other Town bisness The Jurors Chosen Were Eliazor Jurors
Churchil John Churchill Stephen Barnebe & Will:

<sup>1</sup> At this meting ye Request of ye Inhabitants of the uper sosiaty in ye sd township of plimouth to be a township by themselves was againe Discorst of bot none of their Agents Apering to move for it & The Town Deserning A Coldnes in their prossecution of that matter the Town voted yt ye Town Clerk shall

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The upper society at Plympton was incorporated November 20, 1695, as the Western Precinct of Plymouth. The town of Plympton was incorporated June 4th, 1707.

signify to .hem yt as they Deserned in ym a Coldnes to prossecut ye matter The Town Were not Willing to thrust ym away bu was as Indefferen as they in that matter

<sup>1</sup> At this Metting it Was voted yt Left: Morton Mr Nathaniel Thomas & Mer John Mordo should Agree School With Mer Josiah Cotton to keepe ye scool in the Town Master as sd Towns scool Master During the Tirme of ye six years Ensuing he the sd Mer Josiah Cotton Maniaging ye sd scoole with that prudence & Industrey yt he hath Done the last year

<sup>2</sup> At this Meeting The Town voted to buy the scole house for ye Towns use & Chose Leftenant Morton & John Watson to take an account of ye Charge Relating to ye building of sd house of those yt had Erected it yt ye money mite be paid them partly ye next Sumer & the Remander ye sumer following

At sd Meeting The Town made Choyce of John ffoster & Ephraim Cole to gather that money yt is Due towards the support of ye scoole in sd Town for ye last year according to a former act of the town Relating thereunto

[103.] At a Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 3d of March 170\(^2\) for ye Choyce of town officers for ye year & other town buisness The Selectmen are Left Nathaniel Morton Caleb Loring & Benjamin Warren, The Cunstables are Ebenazar homes William Clarke Junior & Jonathan Bryant, John Watson Town Treasuror, The surveyors are Ephraim Morton Senior John ffoster Jacob Michel Samuel Lucas Isaac Samson & Robert Waterman, The Grand Jury for ye yeare are humfrey Turner Thomas Morton Isaac Samson & Richard Seeres, Tithing men are Deacon Thomas Clarke Eliazar Ring Eliazar Churchill Eliazar Roggers Eliazar Cushman, fence vewers are Deacon Waterman William harlow William Ring & Jonathan Shaw, The hog Cun-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Josiah Cotton was grandson of Rev. John Cotton of Boston, and son of Rev. John Cotton of Plymouth. He graduated at Harvard in 1698. He was for many years clerk of the courts and register of deeds. He wrote a grammar of the Indian language, and for a time was a preacher to the Indian tribes at Pembroke, Manomet and Herring Pond, and died in 1756, at the age of 76.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This school, built by private subscription in 1705, was the first school-house built in Plymouth. Up to that time the school had been kept in rooms supplied by the teachers. This house stood on the south side of the present Unitarian Church, near the entrance of the alley leading to High street. The school-house, which in the last generation stood on the north side of the Unitarian Church, was built in 1765.

stables are Nathaniel Jacson Thomas Howland Elkath Cushman Junior John foster & Robert Bartlett, Grand Jurors for the Superior Court were Caleb Loring Ephraim Morton Senior Elkanah Cushman & John Mordo, Jurors for tryals at sd Cort are Deacon Waterman John Stirtevant Capt Dyer John ffoster & Benoney Lucas, The pety Jury for the Inferior Cort are Samuel ffuller Joseph Church John Rider & Samuel harlow,—James Barneb Chose sealler of leather,

Jonathau Shaw wolf

The grant of ye new town

Plimpton

At this meting the Town voted That Jonathan Shaw should have 20 shillings more than ye law allows for killing of a wolf.)

At this meeting on y 3d of March 170% abovesd In answer to ye petition of ye Western precints in plimouth ye sd Town have voted That they Consent yt they be a Township according to their petition With this what so Ever Reall Estate proviso That Ratable Doth now belong to & is or shall be Improved by aney in ye old Town Either by himself or Tennant During their liveing here shall be Rated here notwithstanding Their being a town & soe the like of aney Estate yt belongeth to aney of them yt lyeth in ye old Town of plimouth to be rated to them they or their Tennants Improveing of it as aforesd,

At sd meeting Major Bradford & Capt Warren is Chosen Agents to be with ye agents of ye western pre in Runing ye line betwixt us according to their petition & ye towns grant thereupon, Mr Nathaniel Thomas & Mr John Mordo Were appointed to vew ye land below ye hill by the ware houses Desired for Ephraim Kemton & to make report thereof at ye next Town meting

land belonging to ye heirs of Capt Southworth Thomas Lettice & James Coole all Deceased Plimouth february 15 170% Then 8 acrees of land was laid out at a place Called Cools feild on ye south side of ye way which was the land of James Cole formerly of plimouth Deceased at ye Request of his Grand son Ephraim Cole & next yt 6 acrees of land it being ye land of Thomas Lettis formerly of plimouth Deceased & next that 6 Acrees of

land lying on ye southside being ye land of Capt Thomas Southworth formerly of plimouth Deceased laid out at the Request of his Grandson Thomas Howland being all laid out together in onne 20 acree pece & bounded on ye North Corner with A stake & a heape of stones on ye south side of ye way yt goeth from ye lower end of Atwoods swompe to Cools feild it being Where ye lower End of Cools feild was formerly fenced & from sd stake & heape of stones the line to Extend West & by south half a point southerly about 48 pole to a heape of stons & A stake & then ye line to Extend south & by East about 70 pole to a Red oake marked & a heape of stones by A way & then ye length to Extend East & by North half a point Northerly both 48 pole to a stake & a heape of stones in an old feild & on ye same point to ve swompe being about 6 paces & from sd stake & stones in ye feild last mentioned the line to Extend North & by West about 70 pole to ye bounds first mentioned Thomas Howland to have ye south side of the land laid out being Capt Southworths 6 acree lot & bounded on ye Easterly End by the swompe

James Warren
Nathaniel Morton

Survyors

[104.] The fforty Acrees of land Granted to Richard Sparrow the 40 acres of land belonging to Samuell King

at a Court of Assistance held at plimouth on ye 5th Day of March 1637 & said to be sold by him to Robert ffinney Deceased & by him given to Samuel King it was laid out by us ye subscribers ou ye 20th Day of March 1704 At a place Called Sparrows hill & bounded as followeth (viz) at ye Northeast Corner with a heape of stones by Lakenham path and from sd heape of stones to Extend West & by North 92 pole to a pine tree marked on 4 sides & from thence to Extend south 88 pole to a pine tree marked on 4 sids & from thence to Extend East Northerly 92 pole to a small Red oake marked with A heape of stones about it & from thence to Extend North 60 pole to ye bounds first Mentioned

James Warren
Nathaniel Morton

Surveyors

At a Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 12th of May 1707 Capt James Warren was Chosen Representative The Jurors Chosen were benoney Lucas ffrancis Adams Benjamin Bartlett & John Faunce Senior

<sup>1</sup> At this Meeting the Town Granted to Ephraim Kemton ye use of forty foot of land one Way & fifty foot the other to him & his heirs & assignes provided ye sd Kemton or his heirs Doe build or Cause to be built A Dweling house on sd land within three years after this Date sd land lyeth betwen Capt Dyers fence & William Clark's Ware house & they are granted ye use of sd land above mentioned for Eighty yeeres:

At sd Meeting it was moved to the Town to Declare what they Intend by a former Grant of ye town of a persell of land unto Mr William Clarke where his warehouse Now standeth below ye hill by ye Water side voted yt ye said Clarke shall have 30 foot square of land or in breadth & to Extend in length Down to ye Creack parrall with Mr John Rickards Whorf provided yt sd Clark & his heires Doe leave a sufficon Cart way betwen his ware house & his whorf if he se Cause to build one that there may be free passage for teames along shore as there may be ocasion

at sd Meeting Mer Thomas & Ephraim Cole are Desired to vew a parcel of land Desired by Richard Cooper by way of Exchang & to make Report therof at ye next Town meting

At this Meeting Ephraim Cole had liberty Granted to him to make ye North Dore in ye Meeting house in two leaves upon his own Charg

At sd Meeting Isaac Lathrop was Granted liberty to Enlarge John Carver's pew & to be Directed by Mer Thomas therin yt it Dont hender peopls Coming in to ye Meting house

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The land granted to Mr. Kemton (Kempton) lay between Leyden street and the pond where the barn of Mr. John Barnes now stands opposite the Universalist Church.

but yt ye Corner next ye Dore be Wrought Rounding & he hath also liberty to hang the south Dore of sd Meeting house in two leaves upon his own Charge

Voted yt Mer Thomas & Mer Mordow Doe here henery Churchills clame for a lot of land in town Comons & give their sence of his Clame at ye next town Meeting, Capt Warren & Thomas faunce are Desired to place some of ye Elderly men forward in ye seates at ye Meeting house to make Roome for younger men behind

At sd Meeting ye Town voted yt ye select men of ye Town shall make all ye assesments for this present yeare both province County & Town assesments

At a town meting held at plimouth on ye 12 Day of May 1707 ye Inhabit voted yt ye towns order Relating to black birds formerly mad shall stand in force for this present yeare & yt 2 Crows heads shall be in valloo of 6 birds & yt ye hous keepers shall bring in ye Taile of birds to ye men apointed to Receev the taile of heads by ye last of october above mentioned 1707

At A Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye first Day of September 1707 for ye Choyce of Jurors & other Town buisnes The Jurors Chosen Were George bon un Josiah ffinney Benjamin Bartlett & George Samson At this Meeting Mr John Mordo was Chosen to tack Care of ye meeting hous yt was is nescsary to ye Reparing of it for this year may be Don

At this meting sundery of the Inhabitants of the North End of the Town Desired yt ye select men Mite lay out A privat Road from the North End of the Town to ye grat swomp for the Convenence of the Neighboures Inhabiting yt End of sd town upon which the town voted yt ye select men should if they see it be needfull as it was alledged ther to lay out A privat way as it was Desired at the Charg of those yt Desired it but upon their vewing sd way they thought it Not Needfull then to for beare

Henry Churchell At sd meeting it was voted by sd town that Henery Churchill should have 30 acrees of land laid out to him of the towns Comons according to A former act of the town [105.] At ye Town Meeting last Mentioned A bill of Charg was Drawn & voted to be Raised by Rate upon ye Inhabitants of the lower sosiety for ye Defraying of Town Charg for the following year

Imprimis ffor scool Master	180000		
Item for the Representative	100000		
Item To Jonathan Shaw for kiling one			
wolf	010000		
Item for Ringing ye bell	01-10-00		
Item for the uper sosiety	00-13-00		
Item for Major Bradford for four Days			
service for ye Town	00-14-00		
Item for Capt Warren	00-10-00		
Item for Mer Mordo	00-03-00		
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	32-10-00		

The land Granted to William Clark Junior by ye Water side Where h's war house now standeth was laid out & bounded on ye 29th of May 1707 by ye subscribs (viz) it Extendeth from two stones sett in ye ground to ye Westward of ye Warhouse thirty fot Distance Nere North and by West & South & by East one from an other & from sd bounds or stones to Extend East about A quorter of a point Northerly Down to ye bay or Water sid for a priviledg to Whorff.

William Shurtliff
Nathaniel Morton

Surveyors

Mer Isaac Cushman's Tract of land here Recorded

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Clark

Plimouth october 17th 1707 Bounded A Tract of land Granted to Mr Isaac Cushman March 6th 169½ lying on ye Northward of Colchester & Extends from a white oak tree with a heape of stons about it standing Neere ye Rainge of ye land of Mer Thomas Cushman Deceased & from sd bounds to Extend Easterly by the Coder swompe way till it Coms to Wanatuxet path to two trees Marked a white oake & a Red oake & from thence southerly or southeasterly by ye aforesd path where severall trees are marked on ye west side of ye path with stones About them till it Coms to a Rock

& a white oak tree Marked by it & from thence Nere southwest by ye Raing of Elkanath Cushmans land to a stake with stones about it & from thence Westerly to a white oak tree marked standing in a swomp which is ye Northerly Corner bounds of Thomas Lazels land which is now in ye posesion of Nathaniel Harlow & from thence to Run Southerly to a maple tree standing by Colchester brook & then Westerly by sd brook to ye land formerly granted to Mer Thomas Cushman aforesd & there bounded by his land till it Comes to ye bounds first mentioned

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m Surveyors}$ 

Ep<sup>m</sup>
Kemptons
Grant
for 80 years

The bounds of ye land Granted by ye Town of plimouth unto Ephram Kempton & his heires for his and theire use & Improvement for the space of Eighty yeares from ve 12th of May 1707 & thence forward as it was laid out & bounded on ye first Day of September 1707 by us the subscribers The bounds are as followeth (viz) begining at a stake Drove into ye ground above William Clarks warehouse and so to Extend aCross ye boggy land 50 foot toward Capt Dyers fence & there bounded with a stake and stones about it & from thence up ye hill side 40 foot & there bounded with a stake & stons about it & from thence to Extend Down towards ye warhouse fifty foot & there bounded with a stake & stons about it & from thence to Extend 40 foot to the bound first mentioned

> John Warren Nathaniel Morton } Survy

<sup>1</sup>[106.] Wheras Those yt were Concerned in keeping Jons River bredg in Repare being Presented at ye last quorter sesions held at plimouth on ye 3<sup>d</sup> Tusday of Desember 1707 for their Neglect in not keeping sd bredg in sutable Repaire The Inhabitants of sd Town of plimouth being partly Conserned theirin The Inhabitants being legally Warned to meete on ye 31 of Desember 1707 & was Generally attended Did at sd meeting upon serious Consideration of ye Grate burden of Charge that lav on sd Town to maintaine two bredges over sd River soe neere together whearas one Might serve in Case they Could obteign leave of ye County Court of plimouth & ye Consent & Concurrance of barnstable County who are alike Conserned in keeping sd bredg in Repaire Did at sd meeting voate to take Due steps for ye Reneual of sd bredg & to build it higher up ye River & Did by their voate signify their Desire yt it might be over against Jacob Cooks hous but however made Choyce of Capt James Warren Mer Nathaniel Thomas Ju & Caleb Loring to Joyne with ye agents of barnstable County If they should Comply with ye Towns Desire Relating to ye Removeing sd bredg as abovesd to take a vew of sd River in order to pitch on ye most sutable place for ye Ends aforesd & also to agree with owners of ye lands through which sd New way must goe if a grant of ye Court for yt End Can be obtained, for theire Respective Rights & to make Report to ye town at their next town Meeting of their procedings thering in order to their making application to ye next County Court to obtaine their Desires therin & made Choyce of Captain James Warren ye towns agent to treate with ye Gentlemen of barnstable County Relating to ye premises at their next quorter sessions to endeavor their Concorrance & and asistance herin & if in Case Capt Warren Cannot attend sd service for sd town ye Town Doth Chose & Request Mer Nathaniel Thomas Jun: to manage the afore with ye Gentlemen of barnstable County at their sd Court abovesd



¹ In the early days of the Plymouth Colony there were three ways across Jones River, viz: the "wading place," near the present almshouse; the "stepping stones," not far from the present wharf below the outlet of Stony Brook; and the ferry, near the mouth of the river. In 1639 a bridge was built at the "wading place" in the line of the "Massachusetts Path." At a later date a bridge was built at the "stepping stones." In 1708 a bridge was ordered to be built where the present bridge stands, and the highway was laid out to cross it. At the same time the old bridge at the "wading place" was ordered to be taken down. The old bridge, however, was repaired, and the new bridge was not built to take its place until about 1715. About that time the bridge at the "stepping stones" was burned, and it was never rebuilt.

February 2d 1707

At A Town Meeting held at Plimouth on the 2<sup>d</sup> of february 1707 Mer Nathaniel Thomas was Chose Comisioner & Major bradford Leve: Nathaniel Morton Benjamin Warren were Chose Trustees to take & give in an account of ye Rateable Estate of ye Town

Grand
Jurors
petty
Jurors

The Grand Jurors for ye yeare Ensuing are Serjant John Churchill Josiah ffinney and Thomas Holmes The Jurors for tryals are Abiall Shurtlif Ephraim Coole and Nathaniel Jacson

At sd Meeting it was voated by ye Town to alow 20 shilings More for killing A groone Wolf & five shillings More for kiling a wolfs whelpe then ye law allows to be paid by ye Town Treasurer upon his Recept of the head or heads if sd persons kiling or bringing sd heads Doe Make it Rationly appeare that they killed ym within ye bounds of ye Township of plimouth & to stand good for the yeare Ensuing

<sup>1</sup> upon som Aggitation in ye Town Meeting about building a Cart bridg over ye Town brook John Stirtevant John foster & benjamin Warren were Appointed to vew sd brook & way & soe make Report of their apprehensions about it at ye next Town Meeting

[107.] At A Town Meeiing held at Plimonth on ye 22<sup>d</sup> of March 1708 for ye Choyce of Town officers for ye yeare insuing The Select men Chosen for sd yeare are Major John Bradford Left Nathaniel Morton & Benjamin Warren Thomas ffaunce Chosen Town Clerk The Cunstables are Ebenazar Cobb & Menases Morton John Watson Chosen Town Treasuror, The Tithing Men are Nathaniel howland Elisha bradford & Joshua Morss, The Surveyors for ye high wayes are Ephraim Morton Senior William Harlow Samuel Harlow Ebenazar burge & John Stirtevant, The fence vewers are Deacon Thomas Clarke John ffoster & John Holmes, The hog Cunstables are Serjant harlow

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> At this date the cartway across town brook was through the water, and only a foot bridge had been built. Spring Hill was not laid out until 1716, and Pleasant street until 1801 or 1802. The highway was through Mill Lane across the brook diagonally into Sandwich street. The ground on both sides of the brook was only a little above the level of the brook. The bridge built at the date mentioned in the text was on the old level. In 1740 it was rebuilt on a higher level, and in 1812 an arch bridge of stone was built.

John Gray John Cooke Samuel Nelson George barrows Thomas howland & Jacob Willard, Capt John Dyer Chosen pound Keeper, Isaac Lathrop Chosen sealler of leather

Jurors for ye Superior Court The grand Jurors Chosen to serve at ye Superi Cort are Major bradford Left Morton Capt Dyer & Mer Mordo, The Jurors for Trials of civiel actions are Ephraim Morton Senior William Harlow Eliazar Cushman John ffoster & James Barnebe

At sd Meeting Capt Warren Major bradford & Mer Nathaniel Thomas Junior were Chosen to Run ye line betwen Duxberey & plimouth, The Town voted to Repare Jons River bredg at ye present with as little Charge as May Make it passabel for ye peesent

Thomas Junior That stripp of land lying betwen his fulling Mill & ffrances Adams house yt is ye banck sid betwen his ye sd Thomas fence & sd highway on Condition yt ye sd Thomas his heires and assignes Doe Keep the high way Down ye hill allong as ye highway now goeth in good and sufficient Repare soe far as from ye Corner of his fence at sd fulling Mill up ye hill towards frances adams house & not to Come within 22 foot of sd adams house sd Thomas his heires & assignes is to Maintaine sd way in good & suffician Repair perpetually soe long as they hold

<sup>1</sup> At sd Meeting The Town Granted to Mer Nathaniel

Nath<sup>11</sup> Thomas

And Whereas it hath ben found very prejudisiall To Most of ye Inhabitants that keepe sheep that Rams be lett to Run at large before a sutable time for Ews to take buck The Town therfore voted yt wt soever Ram or Rams that shall be found out of their owners Enclosurs Runing at large from the first of August to ye fifth of November yearly shall & may be taken up by any person & Cutt smooth or take sd Rams for their own use, Mr Thomas & Mer Mordow are appointed to vew a pece of land Desired by Deacon Morton, Mer Mordow & Ephraim Cole hath liberty granted ym to Enlarge their pews at ye Meeting hous by

sd land upon their own Cost & Charge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Fulling Mill of Nathaniel Thomas stood on the town brook a little above the factory of the Bradford Joint Company and nearly in the rear of the Dunham house, and the Francis Adams house stood on the lot owned and occupied now or recently by Lewis Brown.

ye Directions of Mer Lothrop & Mer Thomas, The town voted to make a Cart bredg over ye Town brook and Mer Thomas & Mer Lathrop to have Inspection of sd works

> Pursuant to a voate of ye Inhabitants of the town of plimouth at a Town Meeting held on ye 9th of May 1709 was laid out by the Subscribers July 4, 1709 An addition to ye parsonage at ye head of ye grat Gutter a spott of land bounded as ffolloweth (viz) beginning at a stake Drove into ye ground nigh ye head of ye parsonag lott in the Raing of the westerly side of sd lot thence Extending southwesterly 12 pole & a half to an other stake Thence Extending southeasterly 16 pole & a half to an other stake in the ground & thence Extending Northerly over the brow of the hill by a grate Rock About 16 pole to a stake Nigh ye Ditch which fences sd old lot About a Rod below a Rock by ye side of sd Ditch & soe along by sd Ditch upward to ye bounds first mentioned

The Parsonage Addition

James Warren Nathiel Thomas

[108.] Mer Joseph Bartlet of Plimouth and ffrancis Adams of plimouth agred yt ye Westerly Corner bounds of sd Adams land shall be a stake and a heape of stones about it standing by ye brookside that bounds sd adams land; the same bounds to be ye sd Mer bartletts Northerly Corner bounds as Witness our hands Enter Chaingably sett this 24 of March 1707

In presence of Thomas Clarke Humphrey

Joseph Bartlet ffrancis Adams

Turner

At a Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 10th of May 1708 At sd meeting Major John Bradford was Chosen Representative to serve for & Represt the Town in ye grat & General assembly att boston on the 26 of this Instant May & soe on through sd yeare, the Jurors Chosen at sd meeting were Jacob Michel John Rider & John Morton, voted by ye Town that the present selectmen shall mak assesments for province County & Town for ye following yeare

Francis Adams At this Meeting the town voted that francis Adams should have the Remainder of the land yt is to say 22 foot along ye banck from his Dweling house Down to ye land the town granted to Mer Nath: Thomas Jr: for a convenience of laying his fire wood on & not to Erect aney building theron to ad Thomas his prejudice & to be obledged to keep the higway in good & sufficient Repare soe far as his grant of land Extends upon his own Cost yearly soe long as he & his heires shall enjoy ad land

<sup>1</sup> At sd Meeting The Town then voated on Exchaing & Did Exchainge with M<sup>rr</sup> Ephraim Little Minister of sd Town an Eight acree lott of land more or less lying in Middlebery which was formerly granted & laid to sd Town Adjoyneing to ye lands of John Morton on

lands Exchang<sup>d</sup>

The pound stood in the Great Gutter or what is now a part of Court Square. As it may become important at some future time to have an accurate record of the various pieces of land now occupied by the county the editor believes it desirable to describe them in full. The land on the south side of Russell Street, bounded on the south by Burial Hill, and extending from the easterly line of the vacant lot west of the school-house to a point ninety feet east of the westerly line of the yard of the House of Correction, was laid out as a parsonage lot by the town on the 9th of May, 1709. In 1819 a strip forty feet wide on its easterly border was sold by the First Precinct to the town, and in 1822 by the town to the county. In 1837 the remainder of the parsonage lot was placed by the Precinct in the hands of the trustees of the Fuller Ministerial Fund, and in 1839 the Tustees sold it in lots to various parties, a strip of fifty feet being sold to the county adjoining the strip of forty feet already sold to the county by the Precinct. The land lying easterly of the above mentioned original parsonage lot extending on Russell Street to a point about thirty-three feet east of the Court House, was a part of the great gutter belonging to the town, and was granted by the town in 1698 to Rev. Ephraim Little. In 1709, as stated in the text, Mr. Little, in exchange for eight acres of land in Middleboro, conveyed it to the town for the benefit of the ministry. In 1773 the town sold it to the county a strip fifteen feet wide east of the above and adjoining it, thus making the county land extend on Russell Street to a point about forty-eight feet east of the Court House. Up to the year 1857 the remainder of the great gutter on Court Square remained in the possession of the town. The square was bounded on the south by a narrow street, on the south of which were two estatets, one on the corner of School Street, owned by Nathaniel C. Lanman. In the above year the town bought these estates, laying out the present street through them and

w<sup>th</sup> Mr Ephraim Little

Parsonage lot Exchanged with Mr. Little

Richard Coopers Exchainge of land with ye Town

Reserve of an acre Land diging Earth & ponding Nemasket River together with all the Rights either in the Comon or lands alredy divided belonging or yt of Right ought to belong to sd 8 acree lot in aney of ye tracts or purchas of land in ye sd Township of Middlebery for & in consideration of a lott in the valley above the pound in sd plimouth formerly Granted him sd Ephraim Little & there laid out to him & voated that ye lot in ye valley should ly & be to ye use of ye ministrey of the Town for Ever and Accordingly Appointed James Warren Esquire & Mer Nathaniel Thomas of sd Town to take A deed of the valley lott in ye behalf of ye Town & for the use of ye Ministrey for Ever as abovesd

With Reffarance to ye Request of Richard Cooper Desiring to Exchange shars of Doons feild with ye Town for ye Comon land lying between his land & ye Town brok and the fence standing between his land and George barrows which leadeth Down to ye brok being Jedged to be 5 acres The Town voted an Exchange & Doe Exchainge sd land with sd Cooper only Reserveing About a quarter of an acre at the westerly Corner of the sol land between sd brook & ye sd fence for a way for ye owners of ye land lying to the southward of ye sd Cooper's land & also ye priviledg of Diging Earth and ponding ye brook in aney place or places ye sd Town shall Judg Needfull and appointed Mer Nath Thomas to Receive A ded of sd Cooper in sd Towns behalf of sd Coopers Righ of three shares in sd Doons feild & upon his giveing a ded of Exchang as abovesd sd land above Desired is granted to sd Cooper & to his heires forever.

<sup>1</sup> At this Meeting Deacon Morton Desired that A voat Mite be Cald to know the towns mind Whether they wold grant his son Timothy yt spot of land below Capt Dyers yt he had formerly Desired of sd Town being forty foot one way & fifty the other upon the same Conditions yt Ephraim Kemtons land was granted him the people being almost withdrawn a voat was urged for 4 or five Wer for it of his Relations & as many save one or two wer against it

[109.] At A Town Meeting held at plimouth on the 6 of September 1708 for the Choyce of Jurors which were Giles Rickard humfrey Turner and Ephraim Bradford here followeth A account of ye moneys to be Raised upon the Inhabitants by Rate voted for at sd meting for Defraying sd Town Charges

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Imprimis To Capt James Warren	09-	-09-	-07
Item To Mer John Mordo	19-	-01-	-00
Item to Mer Nath: Thomas	08-	-02-	-05
Item for the school master	20-	-00-	-00
Item for the Representative	14-	-00-	-00
Item for Ringing the bell and sweping			
ye Meeting house	01-	-10-	-00
Item to Defray other Charges in sd Town	05-	-07-	-00

The Inhabitants at this meeting voted to Repare the meeting hous this yeare That is to say to shingle ye flatt Roof and to make a new Terret and hang ye bell mend ye glass Remove the seats and make new ons as may be thought needfull and Repare where the Clabords are defective and Did for that End vote to Rais by Rate 30—00—00 And Request Capt Warren and Mer John Mordo to Take the oversight of sd worke in ye Town's behalf

voted that Capt Warren and Mer Thomas Doe prefer a petition to the next Quorter sesions Relating to the Removeing Jons River bredg and to agree as the towns agents with ye owners

¹ The coal shed of the Electric Light Company, on Leyden Street, stands on the lot granted to Timothy Morton. Capt. Dyer's land is the land sold by William Bradford, son of the Governor, in 1698, to John Dyer, and is the lot nearly opposite the Universalsst Church, on which a house with a brick end stands. The deed from Mr. Bradford to Mr. Dyer describes the lot as running on the street northeasterly "as far as the northeasterly corner of the old store house which formerly stood on the lot."

of the land throu which the way must goe if a grant for the Remov be obtained voted to allow The Town treasuror six pence pr pound for his service in Receiveing and pay out the Towns Debts voted also that the Town Treasuror shall Gather ye money and upon ye account of the scool gote in Ephraim Cole and John flosters hand of arears in Mer Cottons time or of aney arears Relating to the scoole and Doe hereby invest him with full power for that End

At A Town Meeting held at Plimouth on the 13th of Desember 1708 for the Choyce of Jurors and other Town buisnes as followeth (viz) Job Cushman Eliasar Jacson and William barns

Jones River

At this Meting Capt James Warren and Mer Nathaniel Thomas Agents for the Town Relating to ye Turning ye way at Jons River presented an Agrement by them made with the agents of Barnstable County Relating to sd way which was publickly Read in open Town Meting and by the Inhabitants of sd Town Then present voted their Consent to and approbation of sd Covenant at sd Meet the Town voted yt the bounds of the lot belonging to the Ministrey in the valley above the pound should be as the same now standeth At sd meting sundrey persons petitioning for land the answer thereunto is Refered to next Town Meeting

Ministry valy Lott bounds

At A Town Meeting held at Plimouth on the 21 first of ffebruary  $170\frac{8}{9}$  Jurors for Tryals Chosen are Abial Shurtlef Ephraim Cole and Joseph holmes sen The Grand Jurors Chosen for ye year Ensuing are ffrances Adams Joseph Silvester and Isaac Doty

John Harlow's grant of Land At This Meeting The Town granted unto John Harlow Eighty foot of land square at the south-easterly End of his fathers land to build an house on on Condition yt ye sd Harlow Erect a habitation on sd land within two year after this Date provided also yt his father Samuel Harlow leave out of fence for a publick Road yt knowl of land from his Spring to his shop in some Convenient Time

Thomas Dotys lot by the

Thomas Doty is Granted a lot by the watersid below Cols hill next to Captain Warrens Water side

Grant on the southerly side therof of 30 foot in breadth and soe to Extend Downward into the sea soe far as may be Convenent to Whorffe In Case ye sd Doty build on sd spot of land within 2 years after this Date and also he leaving A sufficion way for Carts to pas betwen sd Coles hill and his sd building or Worfage

At this Meeting much Discors was had Conserning the publick Roade being Incroached upon and Generaly two Narrow To Redress sd falt the Town made Choyce of Major John bradford Isaac Lathrop and benjamim Waren to goe with the surveirs of sd town to see where ye Road wants of breadth and to sett out what shall be left out for sd Roads in Each mans land

high Way to be Rectifyed

<sup>1</sup>[110.] They are alike Chosen to se yt ye Comons are not Intruded on by being aney part of them Inclosed by particular persons. They are alike Desired to vew ye banck below ye prison and to give their apprehentions at the next town meting whether it will be best to make a grant of ye land to some person to be bound to maintane ye Road above it

New stretes Grant <sup>2</sup> At sd Meeting M<sup>er</sup> John Mordo and Benjamin Warren wer Chosen and aponted by the Town to lay out a sufficent part of the shore sid below the new strets End for ye landing of wood and hay and for laying vessels on shore upon any ocasion needfull and voted that it shall be perpetualy for yt us Never to be granted to any particular

The fish to be Inspected

At sd Meeting Mer Mordo and John foster are Chosen to se ye Towns order Relating to the alwives be Duly observed They a alike Desired

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The prison stood where the dwelling-house owned by Everett F. Sherman stands on Summer street, next to the corner of Market Street. The bank referred to was the triangle of land bounded by Summer Street, Spring Hill and Mill Lane, and was granted in 1709 to Abiel Shurtleff and James Barnaby on the condition that they and their assigns should keep Summer, then called Mill street in good repair and safe for travel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Town Dock is here referred to, one of the pieces of real estate in Plymouth, where only title deeds are the patent of the Northern Virginia Company and the treaty with Massasoit.

to vew ye land petioned for and to give their apreliention therof ye next Town Meeting betwen the prison and ye Town spring and Elswher

At this Meeting benjamin Warren was Chosen and appointed by the Town as their Agen to appeare at the quorter sessions in March next to answer the widow Wadsworths Complaint Against ye Town Relating to the hurt she latly Received at Jons River bredg

At A Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 14th of March 170% for the Choyce of town officers for ye yeare Ensueing Thomas faunce Chos Town Clerk The Selectmen wer Major bradford Capt John Dyer and Benjamin Warren, John Rider and Thomas Holmes were Chosen Cunstables. The Surveyors for the high wayes are Ebenazar holmes William Harlow John Gray and Eliazar Morton, John Watson Town Treasurer, humphrey Turner George barrows and Jacob Michel were Chos Tithingmen The fence vewers Chose are Jacob Cook John ffoster and Josiah fflnney, Isaac Lathrop sealler of leather, Hog Cunstables Doctor Little John Barnes and Richard Cooper, Capt John Dyer pound keeper. The Grand Jury for the Superior Court are Major John Bradford Capt Dyer Left Morton and Benjamin Warren Jurors for Tryals at sd Court Eliazar Cushman John foster Thomas Morton James Barnebe and Thomas Newland At this meeting the Town voted that there should be a bredg made over stoney brook 1 and the way through ye brook Cleared and a bredg over sd brook of about three logs breadth this Meeting John Stirtevant and Thomas Howland are added to Mr Isaac Lathrop and Will King to Enspect the lot of land laid out for the use of the ministrey and to Take utmost Care to find out the Trespasors already Don on sd land or lot and to prosecut to ye utmost Exstremity of the law thos that have Trespased theron and the Town Doth

a Bridg over Stony Brook.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Stony Brook in Kingston is here referred to.

Engadge to stand by them therin Mer Lathrop and Benjamin Warren are Desired to vew the land Desired by John foster below ye way by his shop and to make their Report ye next Town Meting

Shirtliff
Abiell
Barnebe
James their
grant

<sup>1</sup> On ye 9th of May 1709 at a town meeting then held at plimouth Abiall Shurtlef and James barnebe were granted that gore of land betwen the prison and ye town spring and soe along the banck wher the two ways part

<sup>2</sup> The bounds are as followeth (viz) from a stone sett on the side of the hill below Richard Coopers shop and from thence Down the hill towards the Town bredg 3 Rod wide and soe along the hill side to an other stone sett into ye ground towards bramhols: 4 Rods and from thence up the hill to an other stone sett into ye ground: 2 Rod and six foot and soe along the way to the bounds first mentioned being five Rod lacking one ffott at a Town meting on the first of August 1709 The town granted unto sd Shurtlif and barnebe and to their heires for Ever all the land or Comon land lying betwen the two wayes against bramhals <sup>3</sup> house home to their owne land above Exspressed The land above mentioned was granted unto sd Shurtlif and barnebe on condition thatt ye sd Shurtlif and barnebe be bound in a bond to make and maintaine a suficent highway along the Road by the prison up into the Mill strete

## [111.] Plimouth Aprill 7th 1709

An agreement made betwen Richard Cooper and William ffollowell 4 both of ye Town of plimouth ye County of plimouth in New England Relating to ye bounds of ye Rainge of their lands they are now posesed of and we being mett on sd spot on ye Day and year first above mentioned we have agreed on boundery's Respecting ye Rainge of ye land above mentioned lying betwen the Town brook and the new feilds soe called and is bounded as followeth (viz) begining at a white oake tree marked on 4 sids

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The triangle of land bounded by Summer Street, Mill Lane, and Spring Hill.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Richard Cooper owned the lot on the corner of Summer and Market streets, and had a blacksmith shop on the lot.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Joshua Bramhall is here meant. Mr. Bramhall lived in the house on Mill Lane now owned by Harriet W. Dunham.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>The land of William Followell was on the north side of the brook, where Willard Place now is, and the land of Rickard Cooper was south of the brook.

standing neere the spruce swompe soe Called with stons about it and from thence Rainging westward to a flatt Rock and a heape of stones on ye northermost side of it or Close to sd Rock and from thence Rainging to an other heape of stones as neere in ye Rainge as we could and from thence to Extend on a straite Rainge to a heape of stones on ye Easterly side of the Town brook neere to a spruce tree yt is fallen athwart sd brook which is the Reputed bounds there of ye lands betwen us And We Doe both of us yt is to say Richard Cooper and William followell Doe agree that the bounds thus set and by us thus agreed on as above mentioned shall be and Remaine a full and fina'l settlement of the Rainge of the lands betwen us and a full End of aney strife betwen us Respecting sd Rainge and that it shall be binding to Each of us and oure Respective heires and assignes for Ever and moreover yt the sd William ffollowell Doth herby Covenant and Engadge both for myself and my heires and assignes for Ever yt the sd Richard Cooper and his heires shall from time to time and at all times when Ever they have ocasion to have free Recors through my land to his own land through gates or bars never to be Denied that priviledg And In Witnes to our full and free Consent to all the perticulars of agreement herin above mentioned We the sd Richard Cooper and William followell have hereunto set our hands on ye Day and yeare herein first above mentioned

Signed and Declared to be their agreemnt in presence of Benoney Lucas and

Thomas ffaunce

Richard Cooper William ffollowell

<sup>6</sup> At A Town Meeting held at Plimouth on ye 9th of May 1709 Capt James Warren was chosen Representative from sd Town and ye Inhabitants voated to alow him fouer shilings per Day while in their service therin. At this meeting Robert Bartlet Joshua Morse and Elisha Bradford were Chosen to serve on a Jury at ye County Cort in June next voted That ye Select men of ye Town shall make ye Rate for the support of ye Ministre for this yere voted that Capt Warren shall manage the matter Relating to ye turning ye way at Jons River as their agent at the generall Court at bostorn if there be ocasion for A town agen there for them upon yt ocasion

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Representatives were paid as in the Colonial times by the town they represented.

voted That Major Bradford Mer Isaac Lathrop and Benjamin Warren are herby Invested with full power from ye Town to Remove aney fence or fences that are set by aney person or persons upon aney of the Comons belonging to sd Town or to bring their action against ane person or persons that shall presume to fence as abovesd and ye Town Doth Ingadg to stand by them therin. At this meeting it was voated that one hundred and 30 foot of land along the shore sid below ye New streets End shall be and Remaine for a perpetuall Comon for ye use of the Town Never to be Disposed of to aney perticular person sd land being allredy staked out by men apointed by sd Town

Shore at New Street End Granted

voted ministry addition Grant to Watson and Warren

here is ye Record of sondrey lots of land granted to sundry persons

At this meeting it was voted to make an addition of lands to the lands sett out for ye perpetuall use of the Ministrey in ve valley above the pound to be inlargd soe farr as the surveir shall think is to be benificiall for the Ends At this Meeting Capt James Warren aforesd. and John Watson are granted 20 fott of land to what hath ben formerly granted to sd Warren allong the shore below Coles hill also Doctor Thomas Little is granted 30 fot of land along ye shore below sd Coles hill to the southward of Thomas Dotys lot also 30 foot of land was granted to benjamin Warren and 30 foot of land was granted to Ebenazar holmes along sd shore below sd hill and to Extend soe farr Down towards ye sea as they shall see cause to whorf the Conditions of these graunts are that there shall be a free pasage for Carts at all times along ve shore betwen the banck and theire whorfs made and maintaned and that ye persons to whom these grants are made shall build whorfs theon within two years after this grant or the land Retern to ye town agane At this Meeting

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Notwithstanding this vote, grants to individuals have been subsequently made by the town, and the landing place is now about 85 feet wide.

A lot of land was granted to Eleazer Jacson 1 on the southerly side of the Grat gutter beyond Mer Littles of fifty foot front and sixty back or soe far as the surveyors shall think Convenient leaving the Road 60 fott wide ffrancis Curtice 2 is also granted a lot of fifty foot front and 60 back beyond or to ye Northward of the pound next to him the Widow Martha Weigh is granted a house lot of fifty fott front and 60 fott back to belong to her her life time and then after her decease to belong to her Daughter Mary Weight to her and her heires for Ever and next to her Eliaser Rogers is granted a lott of fifty fott front and sixty back Next to him Joshua Mors is granted 50 fott front and 60 fott back if there he not a Convenience of Comons next his land he had of his father Doty for there is Reserved an open way betwen the lot granted to Eliaser Jacson and the personage land

[112.] At sd meting Jonathan barnes Junior is granted 50 fott of land front & 60 back next to Eliaser Rogers Next to him John holmes ye son of Nathaniel holmes senior is granted 50 fot front and 60 back Next to him Samuel Doty ye son of John Doty Deceased is granted a lot of 50 foot front and 60 back Next to him Richard Holmes is granted a lot of 60 fott front and 60 back all these house lots granted to ye severall persons at this meeting were on condition yt they build Dweling houses on sd lots within 2 year after this Date and the person yt neglects soe to Doe to lose their grant and there is to be a Comon Road of 60 fott broad all along where

Rich<sup>d</sup> Holmes and others

there house lots are to but

And Wheras

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Eleazar Jackson lot formed until 1857 the southerly corner of Court Square, but in that year was bought by the town of the heirs of Joseph Bartlett, and taken into South Russell Street.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Francis Curtice lot is now occupied by the brick house on the northerly corner of Court Square. For the location of the other lots on Court Street, granted at this meeting, see "Ancient Landmarks of Plymouth," pages 203-4-5.

Manasseth Morton and John Rider <sup>1</sup> Did move to the Town to buy some Comon lan nere to their Dwelings The Town Impowered M<sup>er</sup> Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop and benjamin Warren as their agents or trustees to sett to them and set out to each of them what they Judg may be Convenient At this Meeting M<sup>er</sup> Nathaniel Thomas was Chosen as surveyor with Capt Warren to lay out aney small grants within ye Mile and half formerly fixed.

Josiah
ffinney
and Thomas
Morton
the settlement of the
Raing of
their lots

Know all men by these presents That We Josiah ffinnney and Thomas Morton both of ye Town of plimouth in ye County of plimouth in New England have mutually agreed and settled a dividing line 2 betwen our lands where we now Dwell as followeth namely having Procured Jacob Tomson of Middlebery as A surveyhor to Run sd line we began at a -heape of stones by ye lower fence next ye saltwater and from thence Rainged southwest 7 Degrees southerly by a Raing of Marked Trees and heapes of stones unto a heape of stones by a Red oak bush at ye head of ye lots which sd heape of stones is two pole to ye Northwest of a white oake tree formerly marked and we Doe by these presents mutually agree yt ye land on the southeast side of the sd Range shall belong unto ye sd Josiah ffinney and the land on the Northwest side of sd Rang shall belong unto Thomas Morton Now the aforesd Dividing line thus Run and ve boundareys thus settled We do by these presents Mutually agree shall stand and Remain as a full settlement betwen us and our heires for Ever In Witnes Wherof we ye sd Josiah ffinney and Thomas Morton have herento sett our hands and seales on the 16th Day of November 1708

Signed and sealed in the presence of Nathaniel Morton Jacob Tomson

Josiah ffinney his seale O Thomas Morton his seal O

<sup>1</sup>The land here referred to in connection with Manasseth Morton and John Rider lay on Sandwich Street, north of Winter Street.

<sup>2</sup>The lands of Finney and Morton were in the Cliff neighborhood.

Richard Seares Gardiner to thomas Garnner 1 son of Samuel Garner Deceased Doe agree to the above sd settlement as Witnes my hand on the first Day of Aprill one thousand seaven hundred and nine

James Warren James Barnebe

Richard Sears

Agents to
agree with
Barnstable
agents about
Jones River Bridg

At A Town Meeting legally Warned and holden at plimouth on ye first of August 1709 This Town haveing formerly appointed James Warren Eq and Nathaniel Thomas Gent both of this town agents to act with such agents as should be appointed by barnstable County in ye mater Relating to ye Turning ye Road or high way yt leadeth over Joneses River bridge soe Caled and they haveing made som agrement with John Otis Esq and Major William Bassett agents for sd County of Barnstable To the Intent that the sd County of barnstable for a sum of money may be for the future Released and Excused for any further Charge about ye sd way or bridge and the sd Town of plimouth Doth now further authorize and Impower them the said James Warren Eq and Nath Thomas as our agents to Doe aney other act or acts thing or things in order to ye further Compleating and finishing of sd agrement with them the sd John Otis and William Bassett as they shall think Nedfull and Reasonable. At this Meeting William Harlow John Bradford and John Morton were Chosen to serve on a Jury of Trials At this meeting the Town granted and voated that the land granted Ephraim Kemton at a town meeting held at plimouth on the 12th of May 1707 for

Jurors Chosen

Ephraim

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Thomas Garnner here mentioned was probably Thomas Gardner, son of Samuel Gardner, who married in 1737, widow Hannah Baker, of Boston, and had a daughter, Mary, born in 1738.

Kempton grant

Land
between
ye way by
Eleazer Jackson
and personage
Common

80 years should by this voat belong to him ye sd Ephraim Kemton and to his heires and assignes for Ever. At this meeting Abiell Shurtlif Thomas Doty Doctor Little Benjamin Warren and Ebenazar holmes is granted 10 foot of land apeace to Each of them as an addition to wt was granted to them on the 9th of May last along the shore side

At sd meeting it was voted yt all the land betwen ye Cart way 1 and Eleazar Jacson's up to ye personage land shall ly for a perpetuall Comonage At this metin Thomas Phillips was granted liberty to build a gallery in the meeting house upon ye girts on ye southerly sid of sd house and to be regulated by thos yt are apointed to Repair sd meting house and to seat it with Town born children and aford sd seats at a Reasonable pris and Compleat sd gallery by last of November next Ensuing this Date

[113.] At ye Meting last mentioned Eliazer Churchel Junior was granted a peece of land at Wellensle to sett a ware hous on At sd Meting Mer Nathaniel Thomas and benjamin Warren were appointed by ye Town to sett out and sell to Isaac Lathrop in the Towns behalf a peece of the Comon land by sd Lathrop Desired joyning to his land on the southwest or westward side therof

Sam Senowet Indian his land her Recorded July 13 1705 Then pursuant to a voate of ye Town of plimouth at a meeting of them on the first Day of february 170% ther was laid out by us the Subscribers to Sam Senowet and Dorothy his wife 200 acrees of land and meadow at a place Caled Samson's pond in ye Township of plimouth and bounded as followeth (viz) on ye Northest Corner with a swomp wood tree marked by the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The cart way here referred to was on the north side of the Great Gutter or Court Square, and the Jacksou lot was on the south corner of the Gutter and Court Street.

pond Marked Neere ye ware at ye mouth of the pond and from thence the line to Extend South Easterly by ye meadow and where noe meadow is by ye brook 160 pole to a pine tree marked by the brook leaving two pole of upland along against ye meadow for Convenience to fence it and from sd tree ye line to Extend West 191 pole to a pine tree marked and then the line to Extend North 160 pole

East to a maple tree marked and then the line to Extend East to a maple tree marked by ye pond and then bounded by ye pond to ye bounds first mentioned leaving a way through sd land through gats or bars to the hering ware for the Convenience of ye neighbours fetching fish And The bounds for the meadow then laid out for sd Sam and Dorethy is as followeth it being a smal pece of medow or swomp or swompy land at a place Caled Cooks hors swompe it lying neere the afore sd land bounded on the Northeast Corner with a pine tree marked and from sd tree ye line Extends southerly about 14 pole to a white oake marked and then the line to Extend and bounded by the meadow or swompe westerly about (40) pole to a pine tree marked by

the side of a slopy hill and from sd hill the line to Extend Northeast and by East to a maple marked in a swompe and soe on the same Cors to a spruce tree marked and then bounded by the swompe or meadow to ye bounds first mentioned and sd Sam Senowet and Dorithy his wife to have a privilidg in the pond and brook for fishing and a previlidg in the undevidid land of sd Town while it lieth undevidid for themselves or any of their sons to make Tarr or to make Tirpentime and to hunt or aney other uses and in aney undevided Ceder swomps to Cutt poles or to gett bark to mak them houses from time to time while they lay Comon

See Grant P 77

James Warren
William Shurtliff

Surveiors

The 40 Acrees of upland which was Granted to Josiah Cooke in ye year 1637 lying Close to Aggawame path betwen

four ponds was laid out by us the Subscribers on ye 14<sup>th</sup> of March 1709–10 and is bounded as followeth begining at a Red oake Marked on 4 Sids on ye North side of Triangle pond and thence Southerly by ye pond till it Coms to ye land sold out to Joseph ffaunce thence from ye pond the Rang Extendeth neere southwest about 20 pole by sd faunces land to a Red oake marked on 4 sids thence Northwest 96 pole to a pine tree marked by little south pond Thence Northeast 76 Rod to ye meadow at the westerly End of Cooks pond <sup>1</sup> Then bounded by sd meadow Northerly till it Coms to the pond Thence extending along by sd pond till it Comes to ye land laid out to Nathaniel holmes Thence bounded by sd holmes land to a Red oake marked on 4 sids and Thence Southeasterly to ye bounds first mentioned

James Warren Nath Thomas

[114.] At A Town Meeting held at plimouth November 28 1709 for ye Choyce of Jurors and other Town buisnes Imprimis The Jurors Chosen are Stephen barnabee Eliazar Rogers and Job Cushman At this meeting it was voted that the Select men of the Town shal be alowed by the Town thre shilling per Day for their service for sd Town it was voted to Raise Money to Defray Charges by A Rate which ariseth as folloeth Imyrimis for

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cook's Pond took its name from Josiah Cook, mentioned in this grant.

Liberty to build a Pew Mr Mordos pew in the meting house to build a pew also Nathaniel Jacson is granted liberty to build a pew behind the seats in the front gallery betwen the brases 1 and Major bradford Deacon George Morton and Thomas ffaunce have liberty granted to them to buld a seate at ye End of the seats in the fron gallery against the stares provided it hinder not the Comfortabl going up the galley.

A Town Meeting At a Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 20<sup>th</sup> of ffebruary 170<sup>9</sup>/<sub>10</sub> At sd Meeting Ephraim Morton sen John ffoster and Jacob Mitchell were Chosen by the Inhabitants of sd plimouth to serve on ye grand Inquest for ye year ensuing And Eleazar Jacson and Ephrain Morton Junior were Chosen to serve on ye Jury of Tryals at the next Enferior Cort of Comon plees in March next at sd meeting votes were given in for County Treasurer.

A Town Meting

The Select men are Chosen officers for the following year

At A Town Meeting held at Plimouth on the 20th of March 1710 from Choyce of Town officers Thomas ffaunce was Chosen Town Clerk The Selectmen Chosen were Major John Bradford Capt John Dyer Insign Benjamin Warren The Constables Chosen Are Joseph Silvester and Joshua The Tithing men are Joseph holmes Robert Cushman and William Clark Junior, John Watson Town Treasurer, John ffoster sealer of Cunstables Nath Jacson David leather. hog Shepard John Rider Jonathan Barns and Nathaniel howland, surveiors for the highwaies are William harlow John holmes John Morton haverland Tory Robert bartlet and John Bradford Junior The fence vewers are Ebenazar holmes Thomas holmes and Thomas howland voted That ye Select men are to Tack Left Lathrops account Relating to the panneling the Jury for the laying out the way over Jons River or any other Charge he hath ben at Relating to service for the Town to be added to The next Town Rate Mer Nathaniel Thomas and John foster are Chosen to Take care for the build-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The brases were probably the railings.

ing the bredg over the Town brook and Left Lathrop Released who was formerly Chos for that service At sd Meeting it voted That Wheras there was formerly some moneys Raised by Contribution in this Town Towards the Redemption of som then in Captivity in Tirke and their Redemtion being obtained some other way soe that the money was Reterned to ye Town again at this meting The Town voted yt Mer Little should have sd money to lay it out in fencing the personage land up the valy latly laid as an addition to the land formerly laid out and sett apart for that End and for to mak som Drenes in the personag meadow at the high pines which is though to be nedfull in order to make sd meadow more profitable and the sd Mer Little is to leave ye sd spot of land well fenced when he leaves it and it was further voted To Mer Little liberty to thin the wood in the personag lot the Tirm before prefixed be out in Case it be Carefully Don as not to hender the the groath of it by Imprudent thining of it voted That Capt Warren and Me Thomas are to vew ye land Desired by Divers persons and make Report therof at the next Town meeting the land Desired by John Rider Especially and Mr Thomas Left Lothrop and Ensign Warren are to vew ve lands Desired by others and to make Report therof to ye Town as aboved At sd meting The Town Granted To Samuel Clark a house lot to the norward of the Town buting upon the highway betwen The Widow Weights and the Widow holmes house sd lot is to be 50 foot front and Eighty foot back Eliazar Dunham Junior is granted a house lot with the same Dementions likwise Ebenazar Curtice was granted a house lot with the same Dementions on Condition they build housing on sd lots within 2 yeare after this Date or grant all these grants are above the Road above mentioned

a grant
of some
house Lotts

[115.] At The Town Meeting last mentioned Major John Bradford Capt Dyer Benjamin Warren and Abiall Shurtleff were Chosen to serve on the Grand Inquest at the next Superior Court in plimouth The Jurors for tryals Are John Stirtevant Thomas Morton Ephraim Cole ffrances Adams and Thomas Howland.

Voted to allow 4 shilling per Day for this service

Abiel Shurtliff grant

Ephraim Littles grant

At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 15th of May 1710 The Inhabitants Then made Choyce of Major John Bradford to serve for and Represent sd Town at ye grat and generall assembly at boston voted to allow 4 shilling per Day for his service. sd meeting James Barnebe Josiah ffinney and heaverland Tory were Chosen to serve on a Jury at ye next County Cort At sd meeting a parsel of land was granted and sold to Abial Shurtlif lying som Distance above Cools feild soe Called about 7 or 8 acres for Twenty shilling per acree to be paid for Towns use The swompy ground ye land above sold Incompaseth is to be thrown in an not measured Voted that Mer Ephraim Little shall have ye land formerly staked out for Mer Isaak Lothrop he being upon Removeing and sd Mer Litle Coming to Dwell there is to have sd spot of land for 4 pound and Ten shilling It was also voted at sd meeting That Mer Ephraim Little shall have that gore of Common land lying on ye southerly side of John Cooles feild between sd feild and the Roadeway leading to Little Town soe Caled and for wt he shall Take up of sd land to pay to ye Towns use 6 pounds per Acree voted That there be two Casments made in ye Meeting house behind ye pulpitt in the Rome of the little windows there to lett in aree into ye house

At a Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 15<sup>th</sup> of September 1710 The Jurors Chosen are Nathaniel Jacson Joshua Bramhall and Joseph holmes Senior At sd Town Meeting

John Rider and Menasseth Mortons grant

granted to John Rider and Town Menasses Morton the Comon land that was left betwen sd Riders and sd Mortons land which they lately bought of the Town sd Comon land being twenty foot in breadth and Extends in length from the Comon Road Down to sd Riders hous or fence Ten fott of sd 20 fot of Comon next to sd Riders land that he hath bought of sd Town is granted to sd John Rider and unto his heirs and assigns for Ever and the other sd 10 foot of sd Comon land next adjoining to ye land there of sd Menasses Morton through out ye length of sd land is granted unto sd Menasses Morton and unto his heirs and assignes for Ever At sd meeting the Town granted unto Nathaniel holm son of John holmes deceased Ten acrees of land on consideration of his grat loss latly by sea sd land lyeth to the westward of atwods swompe soe Caled to belong to him and his heirs for Ever At sd meeting Capt James Warren is granted two acres of Comon land adjoyning to atwoods swomp one on the south side of the sd swompe for Ten shilling per acree and on other acre on the North side of sd swompe for 20 shillings per acree and sd acres of land to belong to said Capt James Warren and to his heirs and assignes for Ever At Mer Nathaniel Thomas and sd meeting Insign Benjamin Warren are Chosen and Desired to vew a peice of land yt Mer Mordo Desires to buy of the Towns Comons and To sett a pris theron and to make Report wt they Doe therin at the next meeting of the Town and Capt John Dyer and Mer Nathaniel Thomas are Chosen to lay out these severall spots of land according to their Respective

grant and to make Retorns therof under

Nathaniel Holmes Grant

Capt James Warrens Grant

surveyors

their hands in order to a publick Record to be made therof

The Town at sd meeting voted to make a Rate of sixty tive pound for the Defraying town Charges for thes present yeare The bill of Charge is as followeth

Imprimis for the scoolmaster	20	00	00
Item for the Representative	14	00	00
Item for the Town bredg	40	00	00
Item for the poore	0 <b>5</b>	00	00
Item for planck for Jones River bredg	02	00	00
Item for Ringing the bell	01	10	00
Item to the selectmen for making Rates			
Major Bradford	01	04	00
Item to Benjamin Warren for making Rates	01	10	00
Item to Capt Dyer for making Rates	h1	04	00

It was voted that ye Selectmen shall Take the account of thos yt are betrusted with the oversight of the building the Town bredg Capt Dyer and M' Thomas to vew a pece of land Desired by William Ring and to make Report to ye town therof at the next Town Meeting

[116.] Wheras we the subscribers were at a Town meeting John Rider and Manasses Mortons land

held at plimouth on ye 9th of May 1709 Impowered To sell and sett out unto John Rider and Manasses Morton soe much of ye Comon land lying neer their Dwelings as wee might Thinck conveniant Pursuant to ye sd Town voate We sold and bounded out To ye sd John Rider 1 and unto his heires and assigns for Ever almost one acree of land Adjoyning to the land Wheron he now Dwels part of it being a lane which leads from sd Riders house into ye way which leads Down to ye bay betwen ye land of Nathaniel holmes and sd Riders land And also A peice of land bounded as followeth (viz) from ye Northwest Corner of Manasses Mortons fence and then by fence sd

<sup>1</sup> John Rider lived in the house now standing on the east side of Sandwich Street, back from the road, and a little north of Winter Street. which leads down to the bay" was what is now Winter Street.

ffiften pole and six foot by ye highway side unto a small Rock with a stone sett into ye ground by it and from thence Turning almost square the line Extends to a stone sett into ye ground at sd Riders fence and then by his fence and house untill it comes to ye Northeast corner of ye sd Manases Mortons fence and then by sd fence till it Coms to ye Northwest Corner before mentioned Excepting a way of Twenty foot wide from sd Riders house along by sd fence unto the highway which is to ly for Comons for which land ye said John Rider is to pay unto ye Town Treasuror The sum of Eighteen pounds in money as it passeth from man to man Wee have also sold and sett out unto the said Manasses Morton And unto his heires and assignes for Ever one peice of land of forty foot wide and almost Eight pole in length already fenced in by ye sd Morton and is bounded Easterly by sd lane we sold to ve sd Rider southerly by ye land of sd Morton westerly by the highway Northerly by ye sd lane left for Comon And also one peice of land which is bounded Easterly by ye land of sd Rider southerly by ye land we sold ye sd Rider Westerly by ye highway and northerly by the land of Samuel harlow both peices Contegning about one acree and three pole for which ye said Manasses Morton is to pay unto ye Town Treasurer for the use of the Town The sum of ffiften pounds in money in weight aforsd In Witnes wherof we have herunto sett our hands this 28 Day of July 1709

Nathaniel Thomas Benjamin Warren Comity

The Town Treasurer John Watson signifyeth that he hath Received of the above named Rider and Morton the sums of money they were to pay for ye land above Recorded for the use of the Town. Robert ffinney 20 acres of Meadow at Samson Cuntrey

The Twenty Acrees of meadow granted to Robert ffinney of Samsons Cuntrey 1 The 21 of February 1663 Was laid out by us who have herunto subscribed the 6th of June 1700 and is bounded as ffolloweth (viz) ffrom Samsons pond att the meadow Down the brook till it Comes a little below where Craine brook Runs into Samsons brooke Two pine Trees marked at the head of a body of meadow and from thence it Extends Easterly as far as there is aney body of meadow up Craine brook To Two maple trees marked on the Northerly side and from sd Trees to Run southeast to an other Maple tree on the southerly side of Craine brook all the meadow yt lyeth on sd brook within the fore mentioned bounds.

James Warren William Shurtlef Surveiors

Abiall Shurtlifs 10 Acres Pursuant To A grant of ye Town of plimouth At a Town meeting held at plimouth May ye 15<sup>th</sup> 1710 we ye subscribers laid out to Abiall Shurtliff Ten acres of Brush land Encluding one acree & one quorter of swamp land at a place A little to ye northward of Dones feild on ye 16<sup>th</sup> Day of September (1710) and is bounded as folows (viz) with a black oake bush marked on 4 sides With stons about it standing neere ye Top of an hill and from thence 40 pole north To a stake With stones about it on ye side of a hill and from Thence 40 pole West to a White oake Bush standing on ye side of a hill and from Thence To ye bounds first mentioned

Nathaniel Thomas Surveiors John Dyer

[117.] Know all men by these presents That We George Samson and Elkanath Cushman of ye Town of plimton and James Sole of ye Town of Middlebery in the County of plimouth in New England

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Sampson's country was probably what is now South Pond village.

George Samson Elkanah Cushman and James Soles meadow being the present proprietors and owners of that Twelve acres or lot of meadow which Did formerly belong unto Mr William Bradford Deceased lying and being uponWanetuxet River in The Township of plimton afored That is to say the sd George Samson being proprietor and owner of six acrees therof and The sd Elkanath Cushman being proprietor and owner of four acrees therof & The sd James Soule being proprictor and owner of the other two acrees thereof Wherefore we Doe or have now by mutual Agrement Divided the sd lot of meadow amongst us acording to each of our Respective proportions thereof as followeth namly that ye sd James Sole for his two acrees shall have two acrees upon the westerly side of Whetston 1 viniard brook bounded at the uper end therof with his former lot of meadow upon sd brook and from thence Down stream unto a stake and stones by ve brookside and from thence Rainging west two Degrees southerly unto a pine tree marked by the upland ALd also all that persell of meaddow which lyeth on the southwest side of wonatuxet River adjoyning unto sd Soules other lot of meadow upon said River and soe extending from ye Rainge of sd lot up streame unto ye place where ye upland comes to ye River at ye mouth of whetstons viniard brook And That the sd Elkanah Cushman for his 4 acrees shall have all the meadow on the southeast side of the River from ye Rainge of the lot yt was formerly Capt Southworths Down strem unto ve mouth of Whetstons viniard brook and from thence bounded by sd brook up stream unto a stake with stones about it by sd brook and from thence Rainging East and by North unto a white oak marked at the upland and soe on the same Rainge to ye pine tree marked which is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Edmund Weston was called Whetston, and the brook took its name from him.

the bounds of John Churchels land and that ve sd George Samson for his six acres shall have all ye meadow on the Easterly side of Whetstons viniard brook from ye last mentioned 4 acres up streame betwen ye sd brook and John Churchels land unto ye place wher sd Churchels land Comes to sd brook And also all that piece of meadow on the westerly side of sd brook which lyeth betwen ye afor mentioned two parsels bounded out to James Soule and also all that part of sd lot of meado which lyeth on the northerly side of sd Wonetuxet River now the aforesd Division thus made and the boundery's thus settled we Doe mutualy agree shall stand and Remaine as a full settlement of Division betwen us and our heires and assignes for ever In Witness wherof wee have hereunto sett our hands and seales this 10 Day of June one thousand seven hundred and Ten 1710.

> The mark of Georg Samson seal O Elkanah Cushman a sel O James Soule a seal O

signed sealed in presence of Jacob Tomson John bennett

At a Town meting held at plimouth December 15th 1710 for Choyce of Jurors and other Town busnes The Jurors Chosen were Eliasar Morton and Stephen Barnebe At this meeting Capt John Dyer was made Choyce of by the Towne to gather in the scool rate for wt is now Due or wt shal be Due upon that account untill next september as also he is alike chosen to Joyne with Mr Thomas and Mr Mordo who are Chose by the subscribers to have a scole master During the time of their subscribsion At sd meeting The Town granted to Mer Mordo A spott of land and swamp about ye littl pond Conteigning about fouer acres for five pounds to be paid

John Murdock to ve select men for the Towns use. meeting Mer Nathaniel Thomas Left Lathrop and Insign Warren are to vew all the spotts of land that are Desired to be sold by ye Town to any of the Inhabytants.

Capt Warrens Land

[118.] Pursuant to a grant of the Town of plimouth at a Town Meeting | eld at plimouth on ye 15th Day of September 1710 Wee ye subscribers laid out to James Warren Esq on the 13th Day of october 1710 A small peice of land lying on the southerly sid of atwoods swompe and is bounded on the East corner with a stone standing by the sd swomp side and on ye north side of the path and from thence ve line Extendeth west and by south 28 pole to a Red oak sapling marked on 4 sids standing about 3 pole from ye swompe and from thence Down to ye swompe and Then by the swompe unto ye stone first mentioned The whole Conteigning about 3 quarters of an acree and also a pece of land Containing About an acree and half lying on the northerly side and Easten End of sd swompe and is bounded on ye southerly side with ye land belonging to ye aforesd Warren and on the northerly side with the land belonging To Samuel Nelson and on the Easterly side with ye land belonging to Serjant John Rickard untill it comes to his southwest corner bound and then from sd Rickards southwest corner to ye south End of sd Warrens Dam and from thence to ye South East Corner of sd atwoods swam

> Nathaniel Thomas John Dyer

Grand Jurors

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 2d Day of March 17010 The Inhabitants at sd meeting Chose serjant John Churchell Elisar Cushman William harlow and Stephen Barnebe Grand Jurors for the year Ensuing.

petty Jurors

Mer John Mordo John Barnes and John Stirtevant to serve on the Jury of Trials at ye next Court Ensuing At sd meeting it was voted yt the pound shall be sett on the southerly End of the Training Green by ye swomp neer Samuel har lows house and sd samuel harlow is Chose to be pound keeper at sd meeting Mer Nathaniel Thomas and Mer John Mordo were Chosen and apointed To vew the meeting house and give account at the next Town meeting what is needful towards its Reparation At This meeting it was voted that the moneys that now is or shall be paid in for the Towns use upon ye accoun of the sale of Common lands belonging to sd Town is by sd Town vote set appart to be Improved wholly to the mantenance of a scool in sd Town and That perpetualy not to be allienated from yt End to any other use for Ever And Wheras there be several persons have put in their Desires and moved to ye Town to buy sunderey persels of the Comon land belonging to sd Town The town voted yt such as Doe buy aney of sd Comons from this Date forward shall pay in their moneys for such lands bought of them of Town Comons unto the Town Treasurer by the last of august next Ensuing ye Date of this meeting to be Improved for the End above mentioned At sd meeting Samuel Nelson was Granted a small gore of land on condition yt ye sd Nelson leave a Road way through his land Down the Walk soe Caled Down to the Comon Roade through gates or barrs Mer John Mordo is Chosen to vew a pece of land with Insigne Warren for Mer Thomas and Isaac Lathrop.

The money paid in for ve Land voated to a School in sd Town for ever

Samuel Nelson grant

> [119.] At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21 Day of March 17010 for the Choyce of Town officers which are as followeth Thomas ffaunce Chosen Town Clerk The Selectmen Major Bradford Capt John Dyer and Insign Benjamin Warren Cunstable Thomas Morton and Isaac Doten

Choyce of Town officers March 21 170<del>1</del>9

The Tithing men humphree Turner John Wood and John Morton John Watson Town Treasurer Capt Dyer sealer of weights and measurs John Rider sealer of leather surveiors for the high waies are Jacob Mitchel ffrances Adams John faunce and James Clarke Junior ffence vewors Abiall Shurtlif Ebenasar holmes and Thomas holmes.

Sergant harlow and Jacob Mitchel are Chosen to survey all sorts of lumber Exposed To sale as the law in yt Case Directs The hog Cunstabls are Joshua Mors Stephen Churchel and Thomas Witherly Eliasar Rogers wood Corder The Grand Inquest Chosen to serve at the next Superior Court are Capt Dyer Deacon Clarke abiall Shirtlef serjant John Churchel, Jurors for trials at sd Court are Insign Warren John ffoster Left Ephraim Morton John Churchel James Barnebe Mer Thomas Mer Lothrop and Jacob mitchel are to vew the meeting house and to make Report to ye Town wt they judge to be necessary in order to its Reperation.

Nathaniel
Thomas grant
he to maintain the road

to maintain the Road way at Wellens at a Town meet on the 2d of March last Then Granted to Mer Thomas Mer Lothrop and Mer Mordo is wholly Granted to Mr Nathaniel Thomas and his heires for ever the sd Mordo and Lothrop Relinquishing their Righ therin by a former vote unto the Towns Dispos The sd Thomas is to become bound to maintaine the Road way from ye valley by John Drews old house to the widow Rickards house substanshall and good for ever At sd meeting The hous lot formerly Granted to france Curtice upon Conditions that he built a habitation on sd spot within two years was upon his aplication to ye Town Granted to him Clear to him and his heirs for Ever upon Consideration of the grate loss by sea the last summer sd Curtice had 1 At sd meeting it was

voted That all the land lying to the northward

At This meeting that spot of land sett apart

Curtice frances

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This was the original order establishing Training Green. It formerly extended to South Street, but the lands between that street and South Green Street were subsequently sold by the town.

Training Green

of the Raing of the land betwen Samuel harlows and John barns that is to say to Run up the same point of Compas sd Raing of harlow and barns Rang Runes to Run up to ye top of the hill and all the land to ye northward of that Rang shall ly for a perpetual Comon or training place never to be granted any part thereof but ly perpetually for publick and Comon benifit

Town Meeting May 14 1711

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 14th of May 1711 Capt James Warren was Chosen Representative and The Town voted to allow him 4 shillings per day whilst Improved in that service for sd Town at sd meeting The Town voted to add Ten pounds (more to Mr Little sallery to make it 80 pounds) per yeare At sd meeting Capt Church and Charles Little were Chosen to serve on the petty jury on the 3d Tuesday of June next At sd meeting sundery persons had a grant of the Town to build a seat in the meeting hous before the ffront Gallery The persons are as ffolloweth (viz) John Dyer Charles Church Ephraim Morton John Barnes Jacob Mitchel Elisha Bradford Ebenazer holmes James Barnebe Job Cushman Thomas Witherel Josiah Morton John Bradford Junior Ignatius Cushing hath liberty to build A gallery or seat over the stares in ye South Gallerery provided it Doe not Incomode the stares At this meeting The Town mad Choyce of John ffoster to

have inspection of the meeting house to keep it in Repair at the Towns Charge At sd meeting

it was voted that all the Comon lands about ye

fort bils 1 shall be by Left Lathrop Nathaniel

Thomas and Insi Benjamin Warren sold to those that will bid the hiest for sd Comons they Re-

Jurors

a grant to sundry persons to build a front gallery

Ignatius Cushing

the fort hill sold for ye use of ye Town

Will: Followel

serveing sufficen Roome for a burieing place A Certain Tract of land is sold to William folowel Joshua bramhall and William Ring above Joshua Bramhall

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Fort Hills comprised Burial Hill and the high land in the rear of the Court Street estates north of Court Square.

Will: Ring: grant brick yard Steven Totman Grant

followels meadow for 15 shillings per acre, voted by ve Town to sett out an acree of land to ly perpetualy for publick use to make brick up where brick are wont to be made neer where Benijah prat formerly lived above ye way that leadeth to ye little Town.

Stephen Totman is Granted 2 or three acres of land on brushy hill soe Caled above Shreeves hole to ye southwestward of it.

[120.] At The Town meeting last mentioned The Goore of land

Abiel Shurtlif grant of ye land at ye bottom of ye spring hill

between ye land formerly sold to Abiel Shurtlif and James Barnebe under ye banck betwen Spring hill and the fot bridg yt leads over the Town Spring is granted to Abial Shurtlif on Condition yt sd Shurtlif Doe maintaine a good sufficion foot bridg where it now is and make a Drean from the spring to prevent its flowing, to belong to sd Shirtlif and his heires so long as he or they performs ye conditions above mentioned, a grant was mad to John Rickrds Daughters of liberty to build a seat over the stares of ye North gallery so as not to Incomod the going up sd stares At sd meeting Joseph ffaunce petitioned to ye town That they would give him a small pece of land neer to him at a place comonly caled the Nook lying betwen his own lands and Jordans land and Ebenasar Eatons land and the town granted him the land according to his desire as is herinabove expresed to him and his heires and assignes for ever.

Joseph ffaunce Grant 1

> meeting At Town of the town of plimouth the 2don of March 17019 Then for and in consideration

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The lands of Joseph Faunce and Ebenezer Eaton were on Sandwich Street near what is now Hancock Street. Jordan's land was in the rear on South Street, and at that time Hancock Street was a cartway called "the lane leading to Jordan." The nook has retained its name to the present day, and is now occupied by Angus Scott.

John Watson Grant of land pounds paid to sd Town by John Watson of plimouth aforesd the town have granted to him ye sd John Watson his heires and assignes for ever nine acres of land in a place called ye walk way in plimouth aforesd.

Plymouth March 14 17011 Then ye nine acres of land sold or granted to John Watson ye 2d Day of this Instant March was laid out to him and bounded on ye south corner with a smal Red oake marked and a heape of stones by the walk way! it being ye corner bound of land laid out ye same day to Samuel Nelson and from sd bound the line to extend Northwest by sd Nelson's Rainge 37 pole to a stake and a heape of stons in ye Rainge or line of the Comon land and from the stake to extend Northeast 41 pole to a Red oake marked and a heape of stones at the head of Cobb's farme and then to extend southeast about 5 Degrees easterly to a small Red oake and a heape of stones by ye way and then bounded by ye way to ye bound first mentioned.

James Warren, Nath: Thomas Surveiors

Samuel Nelson's land <sup>2</sup>At a Town meeting of ye Inhabitants of ye Town of plimouth on ye 2<sup>d</sup> Day of March 170<sup>19</sup> Then for and In consideration of Eleven pounds paid to sd town by Samuel Nelson of plimouth aforesd The Town have granted to him ye sd Samuel Nelson and to his heires and assignes for ever 13 acres of land

March 14<sup>th</sup> 170<del>19</del> Then the 13 acres of land sold or granted to Samuel Nelson at a Town meeting the 2<sup>d</sup> Day of this Instant March for eleven pound was laid out to him and bounded on ye southerly corner with a smal Red oake marked and a heape of stones which was ye corner bound of lands laid out ye same Day to Weight and from sd bounds to Extend Northwest by sd Return Weights line about 37 pole to a pine marked which was sd Weights north corner stands

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The walkway was probably nearly on the line of what is now Alden Street.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The Nelson land adjoined the Watson land. The "sufficient way" required to be left was probably the way from Alden Street through the farm land owned by Collingwood. The Common land referred to is the mile and a half square retained by the town in its municipal capacity by a vote passed in February, 1702.

in ve Rainge or Comon line of land laid out to sd Town and from sd Tree the line to extend by sd Comon line 53 pole Northeast to a stake sett in ye ground and a heape of stones and from sd stake and beape of stones to extend southeast 37 pole to a small Red oake and a heape of stones by the way and then bounded by the way to ye bounds first mentioned it being about 12 acres The other acre was laid ont by ye woods way and bounded by ye way with a heape of stones it being ye corner bounds of lands laid out ye same Day to John Watson and from sd heape of stones ve line to extend about six pole Northwest to a Red oake marked and a heape of stones and then to extend East Northeast 21 pole to a stake and a heape of stones on bors hill by Cobb's fence and then to extend on a straite line to a Red oak marked it being Nath holmes Corner bounds and then bounded by sd holmes his land to sd path or walk way and soe by sd way to ye bounds first mentioned leaveing sufficient way from ve sd walk way from the Cobbs and Nath holmes to their lands and housing.

> James Warren Nathaniel Thomas } surveiors

[121.] At A Town meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of plimouth on ye 2<sup>d</sup> Day of March 170<sup>10</sup>/<sub>11</sub> Then for and in consideration of eleven pounds paid to sd Town by Return Weight of plimouth aforsd The Town have graunted to him the sd Return Weight and to his heires and assignes for ever eleven acres of land

March 14 170<del>1</del>9

Saml

Nelson

Then the acrees of land granted to Return Weight at a Town meeting on the 2<sup>d</sup> Day of this Instant March for eleven pounds was laid out to him by us the subscribers and bounded as ffolloweth (viz) on the Southerly corner with a pine tree marked on 4 sids by owles swompe and from sd tree the line to ex-

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Returne
Weights
land

tend Northwest about 27 pole to a pine marked in ye Rainge of ye Common land laid out to ye Towa and then bounded by sd line or Rainge Northeast 50 pole to a pine marked on 4 sids in sd Rainge and then ye line to extend southeast about 37 pole to a small Red oake marked and a heape of stones by the path yt goeth from ye walk way to sd owles swompe and then bounded by sd way till it Comes neere the tree first mentioned and then Crossing ye way to sd Tree allowing the way where ye line Croseth for Cartingg from ye other wood lots

James Warren, Nathaniel Thomas, surveiors

Town Meeting At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 10th of September 1711 Samuel Lucas and Ignatius Cushing were chosen to serve on a jury of tryals at sd September Court

At sd meeting there was this bill of Town Charges voted to be Raised by rate upon the Inhabitants of sd Town for the Defraying Town Charges which is as followeth

Imprimis for the leving out of the high

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Att sd meeting it was voted that all those persons that have aney lands granted and sold by ye Town shall be Tacken up by sd persons by the first Day of December next Ensuing this Date or it shall be counted fare for aney other

Mile and half Land

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Shingle Brook is the stream in Chiltonville on which the factory of N Wood & Co. stands.

persons to by it of the Town and it was further voted by the Town that thos yt have lands set out to y<sup>m</sup> by grants of the Town or sold to them by ye Town and the moneys paid by ye last of august last past to ye Town Treasurer for the Towns use shall pay ye Interes from the last of august abovesd for sd moneys that should then have ben paid by Town order formerly made at this meeting The Town made Choice of Left Lathrop Insign Warren and Abiall Shirtlif as surveiors to lay out the severall grants of land that have ben lately granted by ye Town to perticular persons.

Surveiors

The Town made Choice of John ffoster and Abiall Shirtlef to vew ye Damage yt hath ben Don by the seting up of new seats in the meeting hous by Incroching upon other persons Rite and to make Report to ye Town at the next town meeting.

At a Town meeting held at plimouth December 13<sup>th</sup> 1711 John Bradford Ephraim Bradford and John Cook were Chosen to serve on ye Jury of Trials on ye 3<sup>d</sup> Tusday in sd Desember at sd meeting it was agreed on and voated by the Town that the 2<sup>d</sup> Monday in January shold be a Town meeting and if sd Day be storme and uncomfortable then to meet ye next faire Day to Consider of what may be thought needful Relating to ye meeting house and to Tranceact aney other Town busines yt may be though needful

Town
Meeting
December
13 1711

<sup>1</sup> [122.] At a Town meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of

Mer Lathrops 9 acres of land bought of ye Town

plimouth on ye 2 of March 1711 Then for in and Consideration of 17 shillings ye price paid by Isaac Lathrop unto ye Town of plimouth aforsd the Town have granted unto him the sd Isaac Lathrop and to his heires and assignes for Ever nine acres of land May 24 1711 laid out by us ye

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The land here described has been known as Lothrops pasture through which Stafford street partially runs.

subscribers about nine acres of land to Isaac Lathrop at the Eastward side of his other land and the land belonging to the children of Joshua Pratt Deceased and is bounded with a stone sett into ye ground at ye southerly End of sd Lathrops stone fence by ye Clay pitt and Then East 20 pole to a stone sett into ye ground nere ye Path and then North North East: 60: pole to a heape of stones nere the sd Path and Northwest half a point Northerly: 29: pole and a half to land lately laid out to Mer Ephraim Little and then by sd Littles land to the land of William Barnes and then by sd barnes his land and by sd Lathrops land and The land belonging to sd Joshua pratts Children to ye stone first mentioned Reserving liberty of a way through Gates or barrs for the owners of the sd lands belonging to sd pratts Children from a white oak bush standing within the fence southeast and by East to the Path first mentioned

James Warren
Nathanel Thomas

The land above mentioned was valued at Eight pounds and Two shillings by us
Nathaniel Thomas John Mordock

Richard Holmes his land At A Town meeting held at plimouth March 21 1711 Then for and in Consideration of the sum of nine pounds five shillings and six pence paid by Richard holmes unto John Watson Town Treasurer for ye use of the Town of plimouth aforsd The Town have granted to sd Richard holmes his heires and assignes for Ever 26 acres and half and 20 pole of land in sd plimouth And is bounded with a stake sett into the ground on the side of a hill being ye southerly Corner bound of land lately laid out to Nathaniel Howland and thence southeast: 30: pole in ye Rainge that Divideth ye proprietors land from ye land belonging to sd Town to a stake sett into ye ground on the other side the sd hill and thence North East 142 pole to a stake sett

into ye ground in the Rainge of land lately laid out to Mer John Mordo and then by sd Mordos Rainge to ye land of Nathaniel Howland and then by sd howlands lands to ye bounds first mentioned Reserving liberty of a way through gates or bars wher they may be needful

Nathaniel Thomas

Isaac Lathrop

Jurors Chosen

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 14 Day of January 17011 the Inhabitants Then made choice of Deacon Thomas Clarke Mer John Stirtevant and Ephram Cole To serve on the Grand Inquest for the year ensuing and Capt Charles Church Abiall Shurtlef and Jonathan Barnes to serve on a jury of Tryals on the first Tuesday of March next Ensuing At this meeting it was voated to Repare the meeting house and to make such Inlargements within sd house as may be Judged needful and convenent and for that end made choice of the Selectmen of sd Town together with Left Lathrop and John foster to vew sd house and to make Report to sd Town at ye next Town meeting what they Judg may be needfull in order to Raiseing money to Defray the charge thereof At this meeting it was voated that Samuel Doty shall have liberty for three yers longer from this Date to build on ve lot of land that hath ben formerly granted him by the Town on consideration of the grate loss he hath lately sustained at sea At this meeting Mer Ephram Little applied him self to the town that they would give him liberty to Take up soe much of the Comon land belonging to ye Town as to make up what was wanting of ye forty acres sd Little hath lately bought of Josiah Cooks heires and the town granted his request At sd meeting The Town granted liberty to John Barnes to take a Deed of morgadg of Nathan & Robbin hood of their land at Monoment Ponds they being sick and stood in nede of Releef and sd barns had suplid them with wt was nedfull in theer sicnes

Samuel Dotys Grant continued

M<sup>er</sup> Littles Grant

John barns his grant

Oysters

[123.] At A Town meeting held at plimouth December 13th 1711 it being moved to the Town by sundrey of the Inhabitants to make a Triall on som of the flatts in plimouth bay for the making of some beds of oysters it was voated and granted That aney of the Inhabitants of the Town who shall betwixt this and the next town meeting subscribe their names To the Instrument shall have liberty to plant oysters in aney such place or places within sd bay as they shall Judg most likely for the groath and Increase of oysters and yt they have the benefit of such oysters as by their menes shall be produced in sd bay for ever and yt they have liberty from time to time to meete together and make such Rules and orders for the management of sd oysters and oyster beds as they or the major part of them shall Judge proper and necessary and power is hereby granted to ye subscribers to Prossecut aney person or persons except such subscribers or such as are allowed and admitted by the major part of them who shall by aney means Designedly molest or prejudice the groath and Increase of sd oysters or to take aney of them without liberty first had and obtained of the subscribers

The Persons subscribing are as followeth (viz)

James Warren Nathaniel Holmes the son of John holmes Ephraim Little George Morton Juni Isaac Lathrop Isaac Dotey Thomas Morton

Joshua Mors Junor

Thomas Witherell Eliasar holmes Charles Little Ebenasar Eaton

Ephram Coles land

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st of March 170+9 Then for and in consideration of ye sum of fifteen pounds sixteen shillings paid by Ephraim Cole of sd plimouth unto John Watson Treasurer of sd Town for the Towns use aforesd The Town have granted unto the sd Ephraim Cole and unto his heires and assignes for ever 22 acres of land which was laid out and bounded by the subscribers on the 24th of March and is bounded as followeth (viz) A white oak sappling in Samuel Ring Raing being ye northwest corner bounds of lands laid out the same Day to ffrances Adams and then by sd Rings Raing 23 pole to a Red oake sapling with stones about it it being ye Westerly corner bounds of sd Rings land and then northwest 32 pole to a small Walnut bush with stones about it in the Rainge of lands formerly laid out to ye use of the ministrey and Then 60 pole southwest to a pine Tree marked by little pond and then by sd little pond to a walnut bush being ye southwest corner bounds of land laid out ye same Day to ffrances Adams and then by sd Adamses Rainge To the white oake sapling first mentioned allowing convenient wayes through sd lands

James Warren
Nathaniel Thomas

here is Recorded The Rest of the proprietors of the

oyster bed

William Barnes John Mordo

Nathaniel Holmes Junior oysters Thomas Holmes

Mer Nathaniel Clarke

Ebenazar Jobb

Samuel Bartlett

John Churchell The son of Joseph Churchell John Holmes ye son of Nathaniel Holmes

Richard Holmes Stephen Churchill

Thomas Howland Capt Charles Church

John Harlow

Haverland Torey
William Harlow Ju:

Eliasar Churchell Junior John Watson

John Gray John Rickard

Jonathan Barnes Junior

John Barnes
John ffoster

John Wood Samuel Dunham Junior Deacon George Morton

John Barnes Jr. Josiah ffinney

Samuel Harlow Josiah ffluney
Ebenasar Spooner

[124.] At A Town Meeting held at plimouth on the 12th of

february 170\frac{1}{2} At this Meeting sundrey of the Inhabitants Petitioned the town to have liberty to make an addition on ye back sid of the

meeting behind the pulpit Extending 18 fot back

and soe the length of the meeting house and ye wals to be of the sam heigth of ye old meeting house and the Roofe to be of a proporshonable height with the old meting house that therby they mite have Convenincy to build seats for ymselves and families and others that shall Com in upon Reasonable Termes. The Town granted the petitioners That are hereafter named their Request upon the Conditions ffollowing (viz) provided That the persons subscribing to ye petition shall build ve addition of good sound oak timber and good stuff and Dig away ye arth on ve back side a Convenient Distance from the sill and not build the front pews higher then ye pews in the old part and that they shall admitt others to the priviledg of having pews with them upon Reasonable Terms and to build a good stone wall against the banck where it is nedfull to prevent the Earth from washing Down and they are to have the planck and glass on the backside toward sd addition, not to move the main posts nor Enterdice on which the gallery hath Dependance nor aney way Incomoad or weaken the old meeting house or aney seats in it and that sd addition be fild with pews and when they are filled and finished: 2: men to be Chosen by ye Town and ye petitioners to Take an acompt of the Charge and Cost of the whole building and set such a vallue on them as may amount to ye Charg they are at The petitioners to have their first Choice and then the Rest of the pews to be Disposed of to ve Inhabitants of the Town acording as they shall be vallued by the Town and petitioners and when the house is finnished and seated as aforsd then the sd house to belong to sd Town as the Rest of the meeting hous Doth The petitioners for the privileg of

John ffoster

building sd house are as followeth (viz)

A grant to Sundry persons to make an Enlargement to ye Meeting House

John Watson
Abiall Shurtlef
James Barnebe
Charles Church
Nathaniel Jacson
Ignatious Cushing
Haverland Torey
John Barnes

The Town also agreed and voated That the select men should make a Rate of \$^40\$ sum of \$^40\$ for the Reparation of the meeting house That is to say yt sid next the stret and the south End to be new Claborded the Northend scraped and Tarred the Roof and side and End Tared and John Watson is Chosen by the Town to procure this worke Don with Convenient sped

At this meeting The Town granted to Samuel Ring senior a small slipe of land lying adjoining to his land on which he now liveth about half an acree to be sett out to him by the surveiors

Charles Church 30 acre At this meetin The Town Granted to Capt Charles Church a Thirty acre lot to be laid out in the Comons belonging to the Town on Consideration of his haveing a part of the Mill unto which ther hath not ben a 30

lott granted ace lot granted before

[125.] At A Town Meeting held at plimouth on the 21 of

Mer Nathaniel Thomas gaant at Wellenslee March 170½ The Town granted to Mer Nathaniel Thomas and to his heires and assignes for Ever about an acree and three quarters of land at Welensley and is bounded by a stone sett into the ground at ye uper End of a gutter opposite to the Eastermost Corner of the Widdow Hannah Rickards feild and from thence to a straite line Down to ye place wher the Creack which Comes from ye land of Robert bartletts and ye Creack yt Cometh from ye land of ye said Hannah Rickard meet together and thence by the Creek last mentioned to ye land of Hannah Rickard and then by sd Hannah Rickards land to the highway and by the highway on ye Edg of the banck to the stone first mentioned

lands
belonging
to Capt
James
Warren

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 3<sup>nd</sup> of March 17019 for and in Consideration of the sum of seaven pounds three shilling and six pence paid by Capt James Warren Esq unto John Watson Town Treasurer for the use of the Town The Town have granted unto ye sd Capt James Warren his heires and assignes for Ever six acree and A half of land buting upon his other land at atwoods swompe and is bounded with a white oak bush marked standing at ve uper End of sd swompe and from thence: 12: pole west and by south to 3 small Red oake bushes Marked neere the top of the hill and thence south and by East: 55: pole to A white oake bush with stones about it by ye pathside and thence about: 15: pole to a heape of stones a little northward of Ephraim Coles Corner bound and thence by sd Coles land to ye northeast Corner therof leaving a way of 20 foot wide by sd Coles land and thence to a stone by the side of ye swompe being the Eastermost Corner bound of land ye said Warren lately. bought of the Town and Then by the sd Warrens land to the bounds first mentioned And also by vertue of a grant to ye sd Warren A small Goore of land neere princes bottom 1 we measured ye said gore which Contained an acree and one quarter and is bounded southerly with the land of Samuel Ring and Westerly with ye land Belonging to ye ministrey and Easterly with the land belonging to the sd Warren Reserving liberty of a way through Gates or barrs wher it may be needfull March ve 10th 17019. James Warren Nathaniel Thomas

2 parcels of land

Mer John Mordos 38 acres of land bought of ye Town At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 170<sup>10</sup> for and in Consideration of the sum of 27 pounds 16 shillings paid by M<sup>er</sup> John Mordo unto M<sup>er</sup> John Watson Town Treasurer for the use of ye Town The Town have granted unto the sd M<sup>er</sup> John Mordo and unto his heires and assignes for Ever 38 acres of land which was laid out to him on ye: 5; of April 1711

<sup>1&</sup>quot; Princess Bottom" is the valley owned and occupied by B. M. Watson, where in 1638 the Colony Court granted to Thomas Prince" ten acres of land in some convenient place about the town."

April 6<sup>th</sup> 1711 laid out by us the subscribers 38 acres of land to M<sup>er</sup> John Mordo on ye southward side of Walkway and is bounded as ffolloweth (viz) with a stake with stones about it being ye southered Corner bound of Nathaniel holmes land and from thence south southwest 3 Degres Westerly 106 pole to 3 small Red oak bushes marked standing together and thence Northwest 76 pole to a pine bush standing in ye Rainge of land lately laid out to Nathaniel Howland and thence Northwest by sd howlands land about 37 pole to a pine tree standing by the Edg of owles swomp marked on 4 sides and thence to the path and soe by the path 79 pole Northeast to a stake by ye path sid being ye Westerly Corner bounds of ye sd Nathiel Howlands land and then by sd Nathaniel howlands south southeast 37 pole to ye bounds first mentioned.

James Warren
Nathaniel Thomas

Mer John Mordos land At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21 of March 170 10 for and in Consideration of the sum of Ten pounds and 5 shillings paid by Mer John Mordo unto Mer John Watson Town Treasurer for the use of the Town The Town have granted unto the sd Mer John Mordo and unto his heirs for Ever three acres and thre quarters of land which was laid out to him as ffolloweth laid out by us ye subscribers to Mer John Mordo About thre acres and thre quarters of land by ye Northerly side of Rings poud 2 begining at the old Ditch by the fence of sd Mordo and thence by sd fence 13 pole Down to ye pond and then by ye sd pond Round on the

[126.] Northward side thereof untill it coms to ye land of Joseph Ring and then by sd Rings land to ye northeast Corner therof and thence northwest half a point Northerly 20 pol to a stak sett into ye ground and from thence West northwest 32 pole to ye northeast corner of sd Mordos land and thence by sd Mordows land to ye bounds first mentioned And also by vertue of a latter grant from ye Town of plimouth we laid out to ye sd Mer Mordo on the 10th Day of March 17011 About 7 acres of land adjoining partly on ye land abovesd and partly upon Mer Mordows

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Rings Pond is Murdocks Pond, named after John Mordo (Murdock) here mentioned.

other land and is bounded from ye stake abovesd standing 20 pole Northwest ½ half a point Northerly from the Northeast Corner of Joseph Rings land 44 pole to a heape of stones neere the South East Corner of atwoods swomps and from thence westerly by ye Way 33 pole to ye Northeast Corner of Ephraim Coles land leaving ye way 20 fot wide in ye narrowest place and then by sd Coles land to ye land of ye sd Mordo also all the Common land betwen ye sd Mordos land and the land of Thomas Howland unto sd howlands Easterly corner bounds and from thence Easterly to a Rock on ye brow of a hill neere sd Mordows Southeast Corner and from thence on the same Rainge Down to Rings pond above mentioned

James Warren
Natha iiel Thomas

Robert Bartlets land at Wellensle

At A Town Meeting held at plimouth february 11th 17019 for and in Consideration of Six Pounds To ye sd Town Well and Truly paid by Robert Bartlett of plimouth aforsd have Granted bargained and sold unto him ye sd Robert Bartlett A Certaine persell of upland and Meadowish Ground lying in plimouth aforsd at a place Called Wellensly on the southwest side of sd Robert Bartletts land bounded as followeth (viz) Beginning at a stake stuck intoye ground where two Creaks Meete in ye meadow at ve northwest Corner and from thence neere south on a straite line to a stak stuck in ye ground by or neere A spring and from sd stake neer south and by East on a strait line to a stone sett in ye ground A topp of the banck by ye highway and by sd way to sd bartlets old lot All The upland and meadowish land lying betwen the bounds above mentioned and sd Bartlets old lot With all the proffitts priviledges and appurtenances unto ye same belonging To have and to hold to him the sd Robert Bartlet his heirs and assignes for Ever without aney lett hendrance or molestation of any person whatsoever

land belonging to John Watson february 22  $170\frac{1}{12}$  The lot of land granted to  $M^{er}$  George Watson deceased Containing five Acres laid out to  $M^{er}$  John Watson his Grandson by us ye subscribers bounded from ye Westerly Corner of John faunces land west and by south

32 Rods to a Rock and from thence west 7 Degrees southerly 10 Rods to an other Rock from thence West southwest 3 Degrees southerly 25 Rod to a heape of stones and from thence straite upon a line 8 Rod to ye corner of Joseph ffaunces land and soe by sd Joseph ffaunces land North easterly and from Joseph ffaunces by ye land of John ffaunce To ye bounds first mentioned

James Warren John Dyer

land sold to John ffaunce Junior

At A Town meeting held at plimouth ffebruary 11th 17011 for and in consideration of foure pounds well and Truly paid by John ffaunce Junior of ye Town of plimouth unto John Watson Treasurer to ye town of sd plimouth for ye towns use The Town have granted bargained and sold unto ye sd John ffaunce and to his heires for ever Ten acres of land which was laid out to him neere ye little Town 1 february 22d 1711 by ye subscribers and bounded as followeth on ye south corner with a marked Tree and a heape of stones which was ve corner bounds of land laid out ye same day to Samuel Dunham and from sd bounds ye line to extend Northeast by sd Dunhams land 42 pole to a heape of stones and Then ye line to extend Northwest by ye path yt lyeth by ye head of sd Dunhams old lot of land to a heape of stones by ye path and then ye line to extend southwest 52 pole to a heape of stones and then to extend east southerly to ye bounds first mentioned 39 James Warren pole. John Dver

[127.] At', A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 17th of March 170\frac{12}{12} for ye choice of officers to serve the Town ye yeare insuing which are as followeth (viz) Imprimis Major Bradford Capt John Dyer and Insign Benjamin Warren are chosen select men; Job Cushman and John ffaunce sen: Cunstables

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Little Town was a small settlement on the road leading from the Sandwich Road at Hobshole brook to the South Pond road.

Tithing men are Eliazar Cushman Elisha Bradford and John Morton Nathaniel Jacson Joseph Silvester and Joseph Holmes senor Chosen ffence vewers Leften Lathrop sealer of leather Mer John Watson Town Treasuror, surveiors for ye high wayes Elkena Cushman Junior Joshua Morrs Nath holmes Ju Thomas Clarke senior and James Clarke hog Cunstables are Nathaniel Jacson ffrancis Adams and Thomas Howland feild Drivers Nathaniel Jacson Capt Church Charles Little Thomas ffaunce Chosen Town Clerk

Grand Jurors To serve at ye nex Superior Court are Major Bradford Insign Warren John ffoster and Abiall Shurtleff Jurors for Trials are Josiah ffluney John Barnes James Barnebe Thomas Howland and Ignatious Cushing Leften Lathrop is Chosen to Represent ye Town when the Jury layes out the high way throw plimouth township or aney part of it Towards Little Comfort

A Penalty upon any person that shall take aney alewives for transportation

At sd meeting The Inhabitants Then mett considering wt a grate Damage it may be to ye Town Especially to ye fishing Designe if some prudent care be not Taken to prevent yt yt will be Discoring to the allwives going up The Town brook and Therefore passed a voate That whosoever shall presume to saine anev of the sd alwive in or neere the Town brook shall pay Ten shillings per barrel for aney barrel of sd fish soe caught for the Towns use to be Receved by ye Town Treasuror as aney other of ye Towns Dets Nor Shall aney of sd allwives that come up on sd Towns shore be taken anev other way to be tranceported abroad to a markett under the penalty above said and Capt Dyer John foster ffrancis Adams and Eliasar Dunham Are Requested and Impowered by the Town to have the inspection of this afar concerning the fish that the wayes in sd brook by ye Dams be made pasable for sd fish to get up and to use utmost Endeavour that sd fish may not be so Destroid by ye boys beating and killing them as before time in sd brook and that ye above named persons yt are Desired and Impowered by sd Town to have Inspection over this afare shall Informe ye Treasuror of any breach of this act if aney be Relating to the Catching alwives to Transport to a market

At this meeting The Town Granted unto ye Widow Lidiah Barrow something more than three acres of land upon the hill above followels meadow<sup>2</sup> lying neere to some lands that Ebenasar Dunham hath lately bought of the Town at Shrefes holes to belong to her and her heires and assignes for ever.

The widow Barrow Grant

Elisha Dotys house Lot Granted The Town at this meeting Granted A house lot on the northward of the Widow Weights unto Elisha Doty in Case sd Elisha Doty build a Dweling house on sd lot by next May Come Twelve month after this date then sd house lot to belong to him and his heirs for ever.

[128. The Account of ye Division of Little Meadow swomp,

Lot belongeth to Elnathan Bartlett

The first Alotment begining at the Dam Called ye Grat Dam and marked and numbered as ffolloweth (viz) The first lot belongeth to Elnathan Bartlett The Northend Joineth to the Grat Dam Easterly by ye upland untill you Com to A Red oak tree marked one of the one and two of the other side so Running south and by west over the brook to a stake standing by ye Edg of the upland marked two.

3	lot
be	elonging to
S	amuel
C	ornish

The second lot belonging to Samuel Cornish bounded Northerly and Easterly by the upland Westerly by Elnathan Bartlett southerly by Jonathan Morey as the stakes now stand

2 lot belonging to Jonathan Morey The 3<sup>d</sup> lot being Jonathan Moreys Tne 4<sup>th</sup> lot is Elisha holmes The 5<sup>th</sup> lot James Clarks Juniors The sixth lot John Clarkes The seventh lot John Mayes The eight is Jonathan Moreys lot the ninth lot is Thomas Harlows The tenth lot is Nathaniel

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Followel's meadow was between Summer Street and Edes Street. Shrefes hole, of which the proper name is Shrieve's Hole, was named after Thomas Shrieve, who lived in Plymouth as early as 1643. It is often called in the records Sheriff's Hole, as it was supposed that Shrieve meant Sheriff. It lies on the easterly side of Oak Street, a short distance from Summer Street.

Garners The eleventh lot is Joseph Silvesters The Twelveth lot is samul Riders The thirtenth lot is Mr Ephraim Littles The fortenth lot is Benjamin Bartlets The fiftenth lot is Deacon Thomas These lots are bounded one by the other Their breadth lying North and by East and South and by west The southermost of the first alot-The bounds is A white oak bush on the upland Edg marked with 15 scratches on the Easterly side and the Westerly side of ye same bush with one scratch North Easterly A stake on the Meadow with ye same mark and soe Running over to ye upland The length of this first Alotment beginning at ye upland which is ye West End soe Runing Easterly into a boxbery swompe bounded by stakes Now there is ADition made to ye 4 first lots The last addition is joined to the - bounded Northerly and southerly by ye upland and Westerly by the stakes in the meadow one of the stakes one two The second lots AdDition is bounded Easterly by ye first lots adDition Northerly by ye upland Southerly and Westerly by a stake standing in ye swompe which is ye head of the other lots with two Noches The addition of the third lot is Joyning with ye second West End is Joyning to ye bounds of the other The aDdition of the 4th lot is Joyning to ye addition of the third lot Northerly and Southerly by a Markt: | | | | : Westerly by ye other lots

2 Alotment

The Acount of the second Alotment of Littles Meadow swompe The first lot Belonging To Elisha Holmes beginning at ye bounds of the ——lot of the first Alotment Runing upward to a stake in ye Marsh Marked: |: | | Noches from thence Northwest to A stake on ye upland The second is the Widow Clarks the lower bounds by sd holmes and soe Runing upward to a stake on Each side the swompe by the upland Marked with: | |: Noches The third is Joseph Silvesters Joyning with ye second and soe Runing upward to a stake Marked with: | |: Noches

on Each side the swompe The forth is Samuel Riders sen bounded by the 3d soe Runing upward to a maple tree standing on ye Dam marked: | | | : Noches bounded by the Dam The fifth lot is Nathaniel Garners bounded by the fourth soe Runing upward to a stake on Each side the banke marked: | | | | | : Noches The sixth lot is James Clarke Junior bounded by the fifth lot and soe Runing upward to a stake on a tree on Eachside ye swompe Marked: | | | | | |: Noches The 7 is Benjamin Bartlets bounded by the 6th soe Runing up to a tree on a stake Nocht with: | | | | | | : on each sid ye bank The eight is Mer Ephraim Littles bounded by the 7th soe Runing upward to a stake on Each side the swompe Marked: | | | | | | | : Noches The ninth is Jonathan Moreys bounded by the 8 and soe Runing upward to a stake on Each side the swompe Marked: | | | | | | | : Noches

Wee whose names are hereunto subscribed or under written which are the owners of the allotments within written Doe gointly with our Consent Committ this our Alotments to Record forthwith March  $10^{th}$   $170\frac{1}{2}$ 

Thomas Clarke
James Clark Ju
Rebecah Clark widow
Ephraim Little

Jonathan Morey Nathaniel Garner Joseph Silvseter Elnathan Bartlett
Elish Holmes
Lidiah Harlow widow
Benjamin Bartlet

Samuel Rider senior Samuel Cornish John May

Lidiah Barrow

By vertue of a grant of land from ye town of Plimouth unto ye Widdow Lidiah Barrow on ye 17th Day of March, 17011 Containing something more than 3 acres We the subscribers laid out ye same unto ye sd Lidiah Barrow on ye 15th Day of aprill 1712 and is bounded as followeth (viz) from ye southerly Corner of William followels land along by sd followels land to ye land of William Ring and by sd Rings land to the land of Joseph Ring and by Joseph Ring land and Rings pond to ye land of Mer John Mordow and by sd Mordow land to land laid out ye same Day to Joshua Barmhall and by sd Bramhals land to ye land of Ebenasar Dunham and by sd Dunhams land To a heape of stons by ye high way a little Distance from squerels Rock and from sd heape of stones by ye sd way to the southerly Corner bound of sd followels first mentioned leaving ye sd way 50 ffot wide

> Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop

Eliazar Churchil Junior his land at Wellensly

Plimouth November 1705 Then pursuant to a laid out by us The subscribers This 21 Day of Aprill 1710 unto Eliasar Churchell Jun A peece of land of 30 foot square Granted to him by ye town of Plimouth at a meeting held at Plimouth on the first Day of August 1709 at Wellensly and is bounded on ye southeast side by ye land belonging to Robert bartlet from his Northerly Corner 30 foot unto a stone sett into ye Ground and from thence Northwest 30 foot to a stone sett into ye Ground and from thence Southeast to the Northerly Corner of Bartlets land first named or mentioned

James Warren Nathaniel Thomas

[130.] At a Town meeting held at Plimouth May 12th 1712 for ye choice of a representative at sd meeting Mer Nathaniel Thomas Junior was Chos Representative for sd Town and ye town voated to allow him 4 shillings per day for his time while in ye Towns service in sd worke Jurors Chosen are Ebenazar holmes humphrey Turner and James Clarke to serve at June Cort next. At sd meeting it was voated That Every hous keeper in sd Town be provided with a good lather of sutable length for his house between this Date and the last of october on forfiture of Ten Shillings fine for every neglect of observing sd order and so ye like penalty for every quarter of yeare yt aney person being a hous keeper shall neglect being provided as above sd to be Received by ye Town Treasuror in a Cors of law for ye use of ye Town At this meeting ye Town granted To Nathaniel Jackson the one half of a peece Nath1 of Comon land lying between The Widow Weights and Eliazar Rogers ye whole of sd spott being about 95 Jackson fott in breadth and to extend back in proportion with ye former lots there laid out provided sd Jacson Doelling Erect a comfortable Dwelling hous on sd spot within 2 years after this Grant then sd land to belong to him and his heires and assignes for ever but otherwise to John Retorn to ye Town At sd meeting liberty was granted Mordo unto Mer Mordo and others yt have small lots on ye Northward of ye Widow Weights along ye Roade untill ye latter end of october next and by yt time to Erect Tenatabl Comfortabl Dwelling houses on sd lots or sd land to Return to ye Town Insign Benjamin Warren hath ye like liberty for his Grant at ye shore side till ye last of october next Left Lathrop Benjamin Warren and Thomas Holmes are to settle ve matter with Sam: Nelson Relating to ye way Down ye walk to ye highway and to make Report to ye Town what they have Don therin to ye next Town meeting at sd meeting the Sheep Town Chose ye select men to Joyn with the agents of pasture Committee plimton to Treat with ye owners of ye sheep pasture Relating to ye Resigning up sd land to ye Town again.

Caas

Lands belonging to Charles Little

At a Town meeting held at plimouth ffebruary 11th 17011 ffor and In Consideration of 84 pounds to The Town of plimouth Well and Truly paid by Charles Little of plimouth aforsd have Granted and sold unto him ye sd Charles Little a certaine peece of upland meadow and meadowish land lving in plimouth aforesd at a place called Wellensly bounded as followeth (viz) begining with a stake in ye Creak which is Robert Bartlets Northwest corner bound of his old lot and thence by ye meadow ground of ye so bartlet which he this Day purchased of ye Town To a stake stuck into ye ground by or neere a spring and from sd stake south and by West nerest up to ye high Way To a stone sett into ye Ground and by ye way to ye fonce and by the fence where the fence now standeth untill it comes to a stone sett into ye ground in or neere ye gutter a littel to the northward of ye Widow Rickards Rainge and from sd stone on a straite line to ye stake first mentioned With All the proffits and priviledges of ye sd peece of land belonging to have and to hold To him ye sd Charles Little his heires and assignes for ever with out aney lett or molestation of aney person whatsoever.

Joseph Rings land bought of ye Town At a Town meeting held at Plimouth february 11 170\frac{1}{12} for and In Consideration of ye sum of Twenty shillings to ye Town of plimouth Well and truly paid by Joseph Ring of plimouth aforsd have Granted and sold unto him ye sd Joseph Ring of sd plimouth About 3 quarters of an acre of land lying betwen his orchard and feild and is bounded from ye southerly corner of ye sd orchard as the fence stands to ye Northerly Corner therof and thence Westerly to a heap of stones being ye bounds of land laid out the same Day to William Ring and thence Northerly by sd Rings Rainge to an other heape of stones and then westerly to ye Northerly Corner of sd Rings feild and thence by sd Rings feild to ye

southeast corner thereof and thence by land laid out ye same Day to William Ring to ye southerly corner of sd Rings orchard first mentioned Reserving Liberty of a way through Gates or barrs through sd land sd land to belong unto him the said Joseph Ring and to his heires and assignes for Ever This was laid on ye 8 of ffebruary 1711 by the persons hereunto subscribing.

James Warren } sur.

[131.] At A Town meeting held at Plimouth on ye 21st of

Land belonging unto Ignatious Cushing Memorandom it is agreed on betwen ye sd Ignatious Cushing and sd Joshua Mors that sd Mors shall have a way of twelve foot wide through sd Cushing land begining at the South East Corner of ye parsonage lot and so along by sd land till it Coms to sd Mors his land

March 1711 ffor and in consideration of Twelve pounds paid to ye sd Town Well and Truly paid by Ignatious Cushing of sd town of Plimouth aforsd have Granted bargained and sold unto him ye sd Ignatious Cushing A Certaine parsell of land1 lying in plimouth aforsd upon the hils above The Road Comonly known by the name of the ffort hills and bounded as ffollows The bounds of ye land sold to Ignatious Cushing is as ffolloweth (viz) from the southerly corner of ffrances Curtices hous lot and thence by the house lot to the Westerly corner of Richard holmes his house lot and thence south west 3 Degres Westerly 12 pole to a stake with stones about it and thence neere Southeast to A stake in ye Rainge of land belonging to the ministrey standing 13 pole from ye Southerly Corner of sd Curtices land and thence by ye sd Ministers land to ye sd Curtices Corner first mentioned To have and to hold sd land as here above Expresed and sett forth by ye severall bounds thereof above mentioned to belong to him The sd Ignatious Cushing and to his heires and assignes for Ever

 $<sup>^1{\</sup>rm The}$  land granted to Ignatius Cushing was in the rear of the Court street lots North of Court Square.

Land belonging to Joshua Mors

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 21st of March 17+1 Then for and in Consideration of Twelve pounds paid to ye sd Town by Joshua Morse 1 of plimouth aforsd The sd Town have Granted bargained and sold unto him ve sd Joshua Morse A Certaine parsell of land lying in plimouth aforsd upon the hils above the Road Comonly Known by the name of ye fort hils and bounded as follows The bounds of the land sold to Joshua Mors is as followeth (viz) from a stake in the Rainge of land belonging to ye Ministree being the southerly Corner bounds of Ignatius Cushing land and thence by sd Cushings land 33 pole and a half more to a stake in sd Cushings Rainge and thence Southwest half a point Westerly to a stake by Mer Mordows land and then by sd Mordows land to the land of Joseph Ring and thence to ye land of William Ring to a stake against the Rainge of ye land belonging to ye Ministrey and thence to ye Westerly Corner of the ministrey land and soe by ye sd Ministrey land to ye stake first mentioned The land herein mentioned To belong unto him the sd Joshua Mors and unto his heires and assignes for Ever.

Land belonging unto Abial Shurtlif

At A Town meeting held at plimouth March  $21\ 17\frac{1}{12}$  for and in Consideration of the sum of Twelve pounds Well and Truly paid by Abiall Shurtlif of  $sd^2$  plimouth unto sd Town have Granted bargained and sold unto the sd Abiall A Certaine Tract of land lying in plimouth aforsd upon the hills above ye Roads Comonly Called and Known by the name of the fort hils and is bounded as ffolloweth (viz) begining at ye Corner of ye Widow holmeses South Corner



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The land granted to Joshua Morse adjoined the Ignatius Cushing land.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The land granted to Abiall Shurtleff was in the rear of the Court street lots and extended to Samoset street, which was "ye lane betwen Deacon Atwood and Mr. Rickard."

bounds and Rainging by his land and by ye land of Deacon atwood till it Comes to ye lane between Deacon Atwood and Mr Rickard and soe by sd lane till it Comes in ve Rainge of Mer Rickards land and from thenc to a stake neere a Grat Rock and from thence to a stake which is ve Northermost Corner of Mer Mordos land and then by Mer Mordos Raing till it Comes to a stake and heape of stones and from thence Rainging neere Northeast half a point Easterly ACross sd hills till it Comes to A stake and heape of stones in the Rainge of Mer Cushings land and by sd Cushing land till it Coms to the bounds first mentioned.

These three parsels of land next above Recorded their agremen as to their Division of sd land betwen they: 3: was Publickly Read in open Town Meeting at a Town meeting held at plimouth May 12th 1712 and then voted that ye several lots of land Recorded in this page should be Recorded upon Town Records.

Ebenazar Dunhams land at

At A Town meeting held at Plimouth on the 12th of March 1711 for and In Consideration of the sum of Six pounds Well and Truly paid by Ebenazar Dun-Shreefs hole ham of sd plimouth unto sd Town have Granted bargained and sold A Certen Tract of land Centaining About: 3: Acres and thirty pole of land at Shreves hole and is bounded by a heape of stones on ye high Way on ye side of a hill and from Thence North and by East 24 pole to a heape of stones on the side of ye sd hill.

[132.] And from thence North East and by East: 4: Degree Northerly: 16: pole to a heape of stones and from thence South South East 4 Degrees Southerly 28 pole to a heape of stones by ye high Way and then by ye high Way to ye bounds first mentioned leaving the sd way: 45: floot wide from Capt: Warrens fence March 13th 17019 laid out and bounded by us ye subscribers

> James Warren Nathaniel Thomas

Town Meeting

At A Town meeting held at plimouth September 8th 1712 Jurors Chosen at sd met — were Capt Ephraim Morton John holmes and William Barnes At This meeting the Town voated That for four years next Ensuing ffrom ye first Day of November next That ye use or Interest of all ye money voated by ye Town for the use of a scoole for Ever in sd Town for ye lands within ye mile and half alReady sold or yett to be sold shall be by the town Treasurer yearly paid in To Capt James Warren Mer Nathaniel Thomas and Mer John Mordo Provided they shall Keepe or Cause to be Kept in ye sd Middle of sd Town in ye scoole house A Good Grammar school according to law for for the said The Town also voated to pay or Cause to be paid yearly During sd four years Ten pounds per anum unto ye sd Wairen Thomas and Mordo to be Raised by Rate on sd Inhabitants of sd Town and all fines which by law shall belong to sd scoole within sd: 4: years shall be paid to sd Warren Thomas and Mordo And it was also voated that During sd 4 years the schole Gate to be paid to ye persons above named ) according to the voat September 17th 1705 and the sd Warren Mordo and Thomas Impowered by ye Town to Collect and Gather the same and to have the benifit of it It was also voated That all persons that have bought aney of ye land within ye mile and half at or before the 20th of october next Either pay the money or Give in bonds to ye Town Treasurer according to law and the voat of sd Town is other wise sd lands be lyabele to be taken by aney other Inhabitant of sd Town that will take it at the prise it was prized at and pay the money or Give bond for the same to the Town Treasurer as abovesd At this meeting it was voated by the Town That ye peece of land yt Mer Ephaim Little was to buy of the Town he shold have the sd land for Eight pounds.

A School

Capt James Warrens

4 acres and 1

february 25 17<sup>12</sup> Then 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> acres of land granted to Capt James Warren betwen his other land and Samuel Rings land where he now liveth was laid out by us ye subscribers and bounded as ffolloweth (viz) from ye South East Corner of a Capt Warrens Ditch ye line to Extend East Southeast 13 pole to a white oak tree marked on 4 sides with a heape of stones at ye Corner of a swompe and from sd stake and heape of stones the line to Extend Southeasterly by sd swompe to a white oake tree marked on: 4: sides in ye swompe and and then on ye same line to ye brook or mill heavorr and then by sd brook North Easterly to sd Warrens other lands and then bounded by his other land to ye bounds first mentioned.

 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \textbf{Nathaniel Thomas} \\ \textbf{Isaac Lathrop} \end{array} \right\} \textbf{Sur}$ 

The land Above Recorded to Capt James Warren was sold to him by the Town for four pounds which he hath alReady paid or in ye law secured and the land above mentioned is to belong to him the sd Capt James Warren and unto his heires and assignes for Ever

Town Meeting November 3<sup>d</sup> At A Town meeting held at plimouth November 3<sup>d</sup> 1712 Jurors Chosen Were Nath howland John Wood and John Rider An account of money to be Raised for to Defray Town Charges

Imprimis for the Representative		00.	00
Item for ye schoolmaster		00.	00
Item for ye Saxton		10.	00
Item To Major John Bradford for making Rates		08.	00
Item to Ensign Wrrren for making Rates		05.	00
To Capt Dyer for making Rates		08.	00
To ye poore	10.	00.	00
Item to ye Repare of Jacob Cooks bredg		00.	00

This bill of Charges was voted to be Raised on ye Inhabitants of the Town of Plimouth by Rate.

14 acres of land belonging to Nath holmes and his sons

[133.] At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 12th of March 1712 ffor and in Consideration of nine pounds sixten shilings Well and Truly paid by Nathaniel holmes senior Nathaniel holmes Ju: and John holmes his sons unto The Town Treasurer for ye use of the Town sd Town have Granted bargained and sold unto the above named holmes their heirs and assignes ffor Ever forten acres of land laid out in one peece Whereof four acres to belong unto ye above Nathaniel holmes senior and five acres thereof to his son Nathaniel and the other five acres to his son John holmes March 24 1712 laid out by us ye subscribers unto Nathaniel holmes and his sons Above named 14 acres of land Joining to sd Nathaniel holmes other land at pontosses meadow 1 and is bounded as ffolloweth (viz) by a Red oake sapling standing in ye sd holmes hedg and from thence West Southwest 29 pole to a stake with stones about it by ye path and thence by ye sd path South East and by East to A Red oake bush by ye path being 76 pole from ye stake before mentioned and thence by ye path neere North East and by East 28 pole to a Red oake bush and thence by ye path as it Turns Northerly to a white oake tree standing in sd holmes Rainge of his other land and then by ve sd Raing as it Turns to the Red oake sapling first mentioned Alowing wayes through sd land where they may be wanted

James Warren Nath: Thomas surveiors

Samuel Dunham land

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 17+9 Then for and In Consideration of ye sum of fouer pounds by Samuel Dunham of sd plimouth well and Truly paid the Town have Given Granted bargained and sold unto him ye sd Samuel Dunham and to his hers and assignes for Ever 10 Acres of land neer Little Town ffebruary 22nd 17011 Then 10 acres

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Pontoses Meadow, named after William Pontus is near the farm of Thomas O. Jackson and was granted to him very early. He was in Plymouth in 1630.

of land was laid out to him by us ye subscribers and bounded as ffolloweth at the East Corner with a heape of stones by an old path Caled Sandwich way which hepe of stones is one of the Raing bounds of ye Comon land laid out to ye Town and from sd heape of stones the line Extends southwest by sd Comon land Rainging; 42: pole to a heape of stones and then the line to Extend West Northwest 40 pole to a tree marked and heape of stones and then the line to Extend North East 42 pole to his other land and bounded by his other land East Southeast by his other lands to ye sd path and soe to ye bounds first mentioned leaving a way throw Gates or barrs through sd land for the Convenience and use of ye neighbors.

James Warren
Nathaniel Thomas

Surveiors

Samuel
Dunham
Jun: his land

At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 2nd of March 170+? Then for and in Consideration of the sum of thre pounds and thre shillings by Samuell Dunham Junior Well and truly paid The Town, have Granted and sold unto him the sd Samuel Dunham and unto his heres for ever 5 acres and thre quartors of land neere unto Little Town and laid out April 7th 1712 by us the subscribers unto ye sd Samuel Dunham Jun: and is bounded as followeth with a heape of stones by ve Widow Jordans land on ve Eastward side of Little town old path and thence by ye sd path South Southwest 36 pole to a heape of stones by the sd path neere the Easterly Corner of the land of John ffoster and thence Southeast and by south 10 pole to a heape of stones by two Cross pathes and thence North North East 16 pole to ye land of his father Samuel Dundham and thence by sd Dunhams and ye sd Jordans land to ye bounds first mentioned Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathron

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february 26 17 1위 Grand Jurors Chosen pety Jurors

[134.] At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 25 Day of ffebruary 17+3 Grand Jurors for the yeare Ensuing which are as ffolloweth Samuel Harlow, John Wood and John Bradford Junior Jurors for tryals John Churchell Ignatious Cushing and Eliasar Jacson At sd meeting Eliasar Jacson Requested of the Town to Release him of the three pounds that he stood Ingadged by bond to pay Towards the scool and upon his Request it was voted to Remit sd money. At this meeting Left Lathrop was voted to stand in Capt Warrens roome in forming the scoole Capt Warren Desiring to stand out that sd Lathrop mite be put in his Roome to help to manage the scoole in sd town acording to the late settlement of sd Town Relating to the support of the scoole in sd Town And have voted and Impowered Capt John Dyer and Insine Benjamin Warren To Take bonds in the Towns behalf of those Gentlemen that formed ye scoole to Keepe it according as the law Requires that the Town be not blamed for aney neglect At this meeting upon a motion made by some of those that are the undertakers of the new part of the meeting house That ye Town would appoint some men to sett a valiation upon the pues in that part of sd meeting house, upon sd motion the Town Chose Capt James Warren Left Isaac Lathrop and Insign Warren to Doe that work for them.

Nathaniel howlands 34 Acres of land he bought of The Town

At A Town meeting held at plimouth March 2nd 17019 Then for and in Consideration of the sum of 12 pound part in to John Watson Town Treasurer for the use of sd Town by Nathaniel Howland The Town have Granted and sold unto him the sd Nathaniel Howland and unto his heires and assignes for Ever thirty four acres of land lying and being in sd plimouth And March 3d 17019 Then ye 34 acres of land Granted or sold unto Nathaniel Howland at a Town meeting on ye 2d Day of this Inst March Was laid out to him by us the Subscribers and bounded on ye East Corner with a pine tree marked on 4 sides standing by a swompe Caled owles swompe and from sd pine tree ye line Extends Northwest 30 pole to ye line of ye Comon land laid out to ye old Town of plimouth and then bounded by sd line or Rainge southwest 184 pole to a pine tree marked on: 4: sides it being ye Corner bounds of the sd Comon land and then bounded by ye line of sd Comon land southeast 30 pole to A stake stuck into ve Ground and from sd stake the line to Extend North East 184 pole to ye bounds first mentioned.

Nathaniel Thomas } Sur

Land belonging to Robert Bartlet

May 12th 1714 laid out by us the subscribers unto Robert bartlett of Plymouth and to his heires and assignes for Ever The Beach and mudy Ground lying on the Easterly and Southerly side of the land lately belonging to Giles Rickard of plimouth Deceased at Welensle and is bounded as ffolloweth (viz) with a heape of stones on ve beach in ve Rainge of the land belonging to Nathaniel holmes senior and the land belonging lately to sd Giles Rickard Deceased and thence 30 pole Easterly into The bay on ye same point of Compas with aforesd Rainge and thence Southerly on a paralell with ye land lately belonging to ye sd Giles Rickard untill it Cometh unto ye brook yt Runeth out of Wellensley and thence up sd brook that is to say the Northerly branch therof until it Cometh to ve aforsd land lately belonging to ve sd Giles Rickard and thence Easterly and Northerly by the sd land to ye heape of stones first mentioned Allwayes Reserving to the Inhabitants of plimouth for Ever herafter free liberty to lay up their vesels on ye sd beach or to Ground them on aney part of the land within The bounds above Expressed.

> Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop



At a Town meting held at plimouth on ye 2d of March 17019 Then for and in Consideration of the sum of three poudens paid by the above named Robert bartlett unto John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth for sd Towns use the Town hath Granted bargained and sould unto the sd Robert Bartlett and unto his heires and assignes for Ever the beach and muddy Ground as is above Described and sett forth under the hands of the surveiors above subscribed thereunto.

Memorandon At this meeting The Town made Choyce of the Select men to make all the assessments vt shall be on the Town the ffollowing yeare 1713

The Grand Jury for the Superior Court

[135.] At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 23 d Day March 17013 for Choyce of Town officers at sd meeting the Inhabitants made Choyce of Tho: ffaunce to be Town Clerk) select men Chosen Are Major John Bradford Capt John Dyer and Ensign Benjamin Warren, The Cunstables Ephraim Morton and Jacob Cooke surviors for ye high Ways Ebenasar holmes Samuel Cornish John Gray and William Cook, John Watson Town Treasurer, ffence veuers Thomas Holmes John ffoster and Josiah ffinney, hog cunstables Nathaniel Jacson IGnatious Cushing John Barnes Thomas Witheril and Robert Bartlet, ffeild Drivers Left Isac Lathrop Capt Charles Church and Nathaniel Jacson, vewers of lumber or measurers of bords and Timber Are Samuel Harlow and Jacob Mitchel, Haverland Torey sealer of leather The Grand Inquest to serve at the Superior Court Capt Church John Churchill John foster Abial Shurtlef Jurors for Tryals are Jacob Mitchel IGnatious Cushing James Barnabe Thomas Howland and John Morton At this meeting it was Granted to all those that have lot along ye North streete when they shal se Cause to Dig wels upon the Road to be Regulated by the Select men as to the place of Diging at this meeting John Watson was Chosen by the Town and added to Joyn with those Gentlemen of the Town

Eliasa r Rogers Chosen Saxon that have Engadged to procure the scoole Kept in the Town for ye four years ffollowing At this meeting The Town A Greed With Eliasar Rogers to Ring ye bell sweep the meeting house Keepe the Doores and Windows of sd meeting house shut and opened for the Congregations use upon al ocasions and Carfully loock after sd house as abovesd and the sd Roggers is to Receive of sd Town theree pounds per year for his sd service and to begin on the first of Aprill next Ensuing this Date.

Cushings Grant

At this meeting The Town Granted unto Ignatious Cushing a house lot upon the Road in the North streete betwen the land laid out to the Widow Waite and the land laid out to Eliasar Rogers That is to say the one half of 95 fot the other half of sd Comon or 95 fot was Granted to Nathaniel Jacson May 12 1712 sd land was Granted unto the sd Cushing on Condition that the sd Cushing build or Cause to be built on sd spot of land within ye space of one yeare from this Date a decent Comfortable Tennanttable house This ye sd land to belong to him and his heires and assignes for Ever but if the sd Conditions be not performed by sd tirm Then to Remane the Towns Comons At this meetin Ensigne Warren hath A Grant of one Twelve months time more to build his whorf below Cols hill and to hold his former Grant thereby

Jackson Nath<sup>1</sup> Grant

John Woods 23 acrees of land At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 170½ for and in Consideration of the sum of nineteen pounds Eighteen shillings and six pence paid by John Wood of sd Town of plimouth unto John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth for the use of sd Town The Town have Granted sold made over and Confirmed unto him the sd John Wood and unto his heires and assignes for Ever Twenty and three Acres and 71 pole of land and Was laid out by the subscribers on ye 10<sup>th</sup> of March 17½ in ye Township of plimouth as foloweth and is bounded

with a white oake sapling being ye northwest corner bound of land lately laid out to Abiall Shurtlif and from thence East 40 pole by sd Shurtlifs Rainge and thence East by land lately laid out to Doctor Little Charles Little and Eliasar Jacson 36 pole to a Red oake marked on: 4: sides and Thence North and by West 12 pole to land laid out the same Day to James Warren Esq. and then by sd Warrens land North and by West as before to ye Westerly Corner therof and Then on ve same Rainge 10 pole unto a small Red oake marked on 4 sides standing by a small flat Rock and thence by the land of Nathaniel Holmes west southwest: 40: pole to ye southerly Corner thereof and thence south southwest: 3: Degrees Westerly: 63: pole to a heape of stones neere ye Northwest Corner of sd Shirtlefs land first mentioned Reserving Wayes through Gates or bars throug sd land where they may be Wanted.

James Warren Nathanel Thomas surveiors

Representative Jurors Chosen

[136.] At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 15th Day of May 1713 At sd meeting the Town made Choyce of Left Isaac Lathrop to be their Representative and voted to alow him 4 shillings per Day for his service Whiles he Represents them in ve Generall Cort in boston for this present yeare At this meeting Jurors were Chosen to serve in the quarter seesions in June next which are Joseph Silvester Ephraim Bradford and Thomas holmes At this meeting John Morton was Chosen Cunstable and made Choyce of Mer Nathaniel Thomas as their Agent to prosecut Ephraim Morton senior for Refusing to serve on ye Town in ye place of a Cunstabel for this present year when legally Chosen therunto voted alsoe this meeting That Mer Nathaniel Thomas Mer John Mordo and Mer John Watson shal have Inspection of the Comons that they be not Enclosed by aney perticulas

but to prosecut aney that shall ofend in that Kind as trespassers in The Towns behalf At this meeting it was voted That Every hous Keeper shall Kill 6 blackbirds or one Crow betwixt this Date and the last of June next and bring in their heds by the time prefixt unto ye persons after named to Receive the account and the person or persons neglecting his or their Duty herein shal forfitt 2 shillings for Every neglect in that Kind and to be added to his Rate and Gathered by ye Cunstable for the Towns use The persons Chosen to Take ye account of birds and Crows as abovesd Are Benjamin Warren Joseph holmes Samuel harlow John Gray.

John Watsons
2 Acres and
66 pole of land
he bought of ye
Town

At A Town meeting held at Plimouth on ye  $2^d$  of March  $170\frac{10}{11}$  for and in Consideration of ye sum of two pounds and Thirten shillings by John Watson well and truly paid unto The Treasurer for ye use of the Town of plimouth The Town have Granted sold made over and Confirmed unto him ye sd John Watson and unto his heires for Ever Two Acrees and 66 poole of land Joyning to his other land lying neere to ye land of William Barnes and is bounded as ffolloweth (viz) ffrom ye Northerly Corner of the sd Watsons other land North Northwest half a point Westerly to a heape of stones nere the Clay pitt and Thence by ye path Southerly to Two stones sett into ye Ground nerre the Turning of ye Barnses fence and Thence Westerly to Two stones sett into ye Ground opposite to ye southerly Corner of ye sd Barnses land and Thence to ye land of the sd Watson and Then by ye sd Watsons land to ye Northerly Corner therof first mentioned This land was laid out May 25th 1711 by James Warren and Nathaniel Thomas

John Watsons
4 acrees he
bought of ye
Town

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21 Day of March 17019 for and in Consideration of ye sum of Two pounds Ten shilling paid in to ye Town Treasurer of plimouth for the use of sd Town by John Watson of sd Town The Town have Granted bargand sold made over and Confirmed unto him the sd John Watson and unto his heires and assignes for Ever fouer Acrees of land nere unto pontosses meadow and is bounded as ffolloweth (viz) with A White oake sapling strnding on ye Eastward side of the path a little above ye southerly Corner of Nathaniel holmes his feild and thence North East and by North one Degree Northerly: 26: pole to ye Westerly Corner bounds of ye land of John ffoster and Thence by sd ffosters land about Northeast and by East 20 pole to ye other lands of ye sd Watson and Then by ye sd Watsons land to ye path and then by sd path To ye bounds first mentioned This land was laid out on the 13 Day of ffebruary 170+9 by Nathaniel Thomas and James Warren.

John Barns his 14 acres he bought of the Town

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 2d Day of March 17019 for and in Consideration of the sum of Ten pounds and three shillings paid to the Town Treasurer of sd plimouth for ye use of sd Town by John Barnes of sd Town have Given Granted bargained sold made over and confirmed unto the above named John Barnes and unto his heires and assignes for ever fourteen acres and an half of land lying betwen lout pond and John Riders Wheat feild and is bounded as followeth (viz) with a stake and stones about it being ye Corner bounds of land lately laid out to Mer Ephraim Little Samuel Holmes and Stephen Churchel standing in ye line which Divideth ye propriety land from ye Town Comons and from the sd stake North East: 4: degrees northerly to ye westerly corner bounds of ve land of Ephraim Morton and then Easterly by sd Mortons land: 72: pole to the southerly corner

thereof and thence southwest: 44: pole to A stake and a heape of stones in the Dividing line and thence by ye sd Dividing line to ye bounds first mentioned Reserving wayes through sd land throw Gates or bars where they may be wanted laid out May 16, 1712 by Nath: Thomas

and James Warren

Land belonging unto John Barnes

[137.] At A Town meeting held at Plimouth on ye 21st of March 170+9 for and in Consideration of ye sum of seven pounds sixteen shillings and six pence Well and Truly paid by John Barus of sd Plimouth unto John Watson Treasuror of sd town of Plimouth for ye use of sd Town sd Town hath Granted barganed sold made over and confirmed unto him ye sd John Barnes and to his heires and assignes for ever Eight Acres and a half of land in two peces both of them joyning to ye northerly side of the land of Nathaniel holmes at pontoses meadow one of which Contains: 6: acres and 144 pole and is bounded by ye southerly Corner of ye land of William Barnes and thence southwest 5 Degrees southerly: 40: pole to ve Easterly Corner of ye land of ye sd holmes and thence North. west and by West 25 pole to ye land of sd holmes to Two stones sett into ye Ground and thence about 16 pole to ye southerly Corner bounds of ye land of Mer Isaac Lathrop and then by ye sd Lathrops land to a stone sett into ye Ground by ye land of William Barnes and then by sd Barnes land: 31: pole to ye southerly Corner thereof first mentioned The other pece being one acree and: 96: pole is bounded by a stone sett into ye Ground on the northerly side the sd holmes and thence by sd holmes land to ye land of Joseph Churchel 12 pole to a white oake bush marked and thence to ye westerly corner of ye land of ye abovesd Lathrop and thence 16 pole to ye stone sett into ye Ground by sd holmes land before

mentioned Allowing wayes through Gates or bars through each parsell where they may be Wanted This land was laid out on ye 25 of May 1711 by James Warren and Nathaniel Thomas

Land belonging to John Barnes

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 21st of March 17010 for and in Consideration of the full sum of five pound and Ten shillings by John Barnes of sd plimouth well and truly paid unto John Watson Town Treasuror of sd plimouth for the use of sd Town sd Town hath Granted bargained sold made over and confirmed unto him ye sd John Barnes and unto his heires and assignes forever: 6: Acres and seven score pole of land is bounded as followeth (viz) from a stake with stones about it standing about a pole from ye northeast corner of lout pond being the Easterly corner bounds of lands laid out ye same Day to James and then north and by West 7 Degrees Westerly: 64: pole to a stake with stones about it by ye path and thence East North East 20 pole by ye sd Barnebes Raing to a Red oake sapling by ye path neere ye land of William Ring and thence southeast and by south 2 Degrees southerly about 20 pole to a bunch of small sapling betwen two paths being the Northerly corner bounds of lands laid out ye same Day to Jonathan Barnes Jun and thence about 30 pole southerly as the path leads to a small white oak sapling marked on three sides standing on ye westerly side of ye path and thence southwest a little southerly about 28 pole to ye stake first mentioned The land above mentioned was laid out on ye 24th of March 17011 by James Warren and Nathaniel Thomas.

William 170½ for and in Consideration of the sum of Eighten
Barns his pounds and fiften shillings by William Barnes of sd
13 acres and plimouth well and Truly paid unto John Watson

half

Treasuror of sd Town of plimouth for the Towns use have Given Granted bargained and sold made over and confirmed unto ye above named William Barnes his heires and assignes for ever 13 acres and one half of land in two peeces both adjoyning to six acrees of land which ye sol William Barnes bought of Mer Nath: Thomas of plimouth some years past lying to the southward of the new feild and is bounded as followeth (viz) from ye southwest Corner of the six acrees by William Rings Rainge to ve southeast Corner therof and thence Westerly by the head of sd Rings land till it comes to the path by land lately laid out to James barnabe and then by sd path to ye Northerly corner bound of land lately laid out to Jonathan Barnes Jun: being a heape of stones in a bunch of small Red oake saplings and thence East North East 37 pole by land lately laid out to Nathaniel holmes senior to a Red oake sapling in sd holmeses fence marked and thence Northwest and by west 12 pole to ye sd holmes Corner and thence northerly by ye land of Joseph

• Churchill to the six acres of land first mentioned and thence by sd six acres to ye land of William Ring above mentioned and the other peece of land is bounded from the northerly corner of sd Joseph Churchels land by the aforsd six acres 38 pole to the land of Deacon Wood and thence by Woods land 18 pole to the land of Richard Cooper.

[138.] and then by sd Coopers land to ye land lately laid out to John Barnes and then by the said John Barnes land to ye aforsd Joseph Churchels bounds and soe to ye bounds first mentioned Allowing wayes through gates or bars this land was laid out November the 24 1711 by James Warren and Nathaniel Thomas

At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye last Day of August 1713 for ye choice of Jurors which were humphrey Turner Robert Bartlett and Eben Cobb for September Court.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The New Field was part of the farm of Thomas O. Jackson.

At a town meeting held at plimouth November 9th 1713 for ye Choyce of Jurors which were Nathaniel Howland Nathaniel holmes Junior and Eliazar Churchel Junior The following bill of charge was red in sd Town meeting and voted to be Raised on ye Inhabitants of sd Town by a Rate on them for ye Defraying Town charge a Rising in sd town this present year (viz)

To ye school master	10	00	00
To ye Representative	9	00	00
To Reparing ye glass of ye meeting house	5	00	00
To the Sexton	3	00	00
To ye poore of ye Town	5	00	00
To Major Bradford for making Rates		07	00
To Ensign Warren for making Rates		13	00
To John Dyer for making Rates		16	00

Eliasar Dunhams and Samuel Kemptons

At A Town meeting held at plimouth March 21st 17010 for and in Consideration of ye sum of Twelve and six pence Well and Truly paid by Eliasar Dunham senior and Samuel Kempton both of sd Town of plimouth unto John Watson Treasurer of sd Town of plimouth for ye use of sd Town sd Town hath Granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto the above named Eliasar Dunham and Samuel Kempton and unto their heires and assignes for Ever Eighten Acrees and one half of land and was laid out to them by the subscribers in October 18th 1712 laid out by us ye subscribers 18 acres of land and one half acre To Eliasar Dunham senior and Samuel Kempton Ajovning to the Westward side of ve land belonging to ye ministrey and is bounded as ffolloweth (viz) with a pine tree standing by Little pond being ye Easterly Corner bound of land lately laid out to Abiall Shirtlif and thence by sd Shurtlefs Rainge Northwest half a point Westerly: 52: pole To a small Red oake bush with a heape of stones about it by ye path side and Thence Easterly by the path as it Turnes about 80 pole to a Red oake sappling by ye path side in ye Rainge of ye sd land belonging to ye Ministrey and Thence south and by East by ye aforesd Rainge: 27: pole to ye southerly

Corner therof and Thence East and by north by ye aforsd land: 16: pole to a Walnut bush with stons About it being the Northerly Corner bound of land lately laid out to Ephraim Coole and Thence southwest: 60: pole by sd Coles Rainge to a pine tree marked by sd Little pond and thence by ye sd pond about: 4: pole to ye bounds first mentioned Reserving Wayes through sd land Where they may be Wanted

> James Warren Nathaniel Thomas

13 Acres of land laid out to Eben Dunham

[139.] At A Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 21 of March 17019 Then for and in Consideration of ye sum of sixteen pounds Well and truly paid by Ebenasar Dunham of sd Town of plimonth aforsd unto John Watson Treasurer of sd Town of plimouth for ye use of sd Town the sd Town hath Granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto him ye sd Ebenasar Dunham and unto his heires and Assignes for Ever Thirteen Acrees and an half of land And is laid out and Bounded as ffolloweth by the surveiors of the Town herunto subscribed March 24 17019 laid out by us ye subscribers Thirteen acres and one half of land unto Ebenesar Dunham of plimouth Joyning to the Easterly syde of land belonging to James Barnabe and the heires of Joseph Church of plimouth Deceased and is Bounded as ffolloweth (viz) with A Dry White pine tree being The Southerly bound of ye sd Barnabees land standing by ye side of lout pond and thence by ye sd pond Easterly 20 pole and thence to a stake standing about two pole from ye Corner of sd pond and thench North and by West 7 Degrees Westerly 64 pole to a stake and A heape of stones by an old path Thence East Northeast 20 pole to a Red oake sappling by an other old path and thence North Northwest 4 pole to the land of William Ring and then by sd Rings land Westerly to ye Westermost Corner therof and then Westerly to ye stumpe of a Red oake tree standing by ye swompe on A point of upland and is ye bounds of sd land be.

longing to ye sd barnabe and ye heires of sd Church and thence Southerly by ye bounds of lands aforsd To ye Dry pine tree first mentioned Reserveing wayes through sd land through Gates or barrs Where they may be Wanted

Nathaniel Thomas James Warren

Samuel Harlows Eight acres of land at lout pond

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21 st of March 1701 Then ffor and in Consideration of the sum of four pounds and five shillings Well and Truly paid by Samuel Harlow of sd Town of plimouth unto John Watson Treasurer of sd Town of plimouth for ye use of sd Town The sd Town hath Granted Bargained and sold unto him The sd Samuel Harlow and to his heires and assignes for Ever Eight acres of land more or less And was laid out by the surveiors of the Town as ffolloweth (viz) ffebruary 13 1711 Eight acres of land more or less is laid out to Samuel Harlow on ye Easterly side of lout pond And Bounded as ffolloweth (viz) begining at a stake with a heape of stones about it standing in ye line Which Devides ye properiety land from ye Town Comons which sd stake is about one pole south Eastward of A Tree marked in ye line and about: 9: pole from ye pond Thence to Extend North East 4 Degres Northerly to ye Westerly Corner bound of the land formerly laid out to Ephraim Morton Then by sd Mortons Rainge Eighty Eight pole to ye Northerly Corner therof (viz) 88 pole from ye stake and Thence North and by East 27 pole to a Red oake bush marked by the path side Where: 2: paths meete and thence up ye southermost of the 2 paths to an heape of stones by ye path side which is ye North Easterly Corner bound of ye land the same Day laid out to Ephraim Little and from thence by sd Littles land Southwest 1/2 half a point southerly by a Rainge of Marked trees across a small hole of Water till it Comes to a small White oake tree Marked on: 4: sides nigh ye aforsd lout pond

[140.] and Thence by ye pond To ye aforsd Town line and soe by ye Town line about 9 pole To ye bounds first mentioned allowing Wayes Where they may be Wanted

Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop } surveiors

lands belonging To Samuel Harlow

7½ acres

At A Town meeting held at plimouth March 21st 17010 Then for and in Consideration of ye full sum of Thirteen pounds seventeen shillings and three pence by the sd Samuel Harlow of sd plimouth unto John Watson Treasuror of sd Town of plimouth for ye use of sd Town The sd Town hath Granted Bargained made over and confirmed unto ye sd Samuel Harlow and unto his heires and assignes for ever seven acres and one quarter of land The bounds are as followeth ffebruary 6 1711 laid out out by us the subscribers seven acrees and one quarter of land unto serjant Samuel Harlow of plimouth Joyning to his homestead and is bounded as followeth (viz) A Grat Stone by ye Northerly Corner of ye little swompe by his house leaveing about: 58: feet from ye high way and from sd stone south East unto sd swompe until it meets with sd Harlows Rainge and then begining at ye Grat stone first mentioned and thence to Rainge southwesterly to an other Grat stone on ye point of land in ye so swompe and thence to ye southeast Corner of ye pound and then by the pound on the southerly and westerly side therof until it comes to the Northerly Coruer therof and then southwest half a point westerly about: 6: pole to a heape of stones neere the Northwest Corner of ye sd swompe and thence to a heape of stones by ye path yt Cometh out of ye woods Rainging with ye bounds betwen ye land of sd harlow and the land of John Barnes and from sd Heape of stones sonth half a point Westerly: 16: pole to a small Rock by ye sd path and thence south and by west a little Westerly: 24: pole to a small Rock on ye high land and thence South East a llittle southerly: 12: pole to a heape of stone by Huttlebery swompe and thence East about: 7: pole to a heape of stones and thence North East 7 Degrees Northerly to a stone by a part of the path side being the Easterly Corner bound of sd harlows old lot and Thence by sd harlows old lot to ye bounds first mentioned Reserveing a way threw sd land through Gates or bars in ye Winter seasou when ye snow lyes in Drifts.

Nathaniel Thomas Benjamin Warren

Two Acres of land belonging to Joshua Bamhal

At A Town meeting held at plimouth March Twenty first 17017 Then for and in consideration of ye sum of thirty shillings by Joshua Bramhall of sd Town of plimouth unto John Watson Treasurer of sd Town of plimouth for ye use of sd Town Well and Truly paid The said Town hath Granted bargained and sold unto ye sd Joshua Bramhall and unto his heires and assignes for Ever Two acrees of land as is below Described measured and bounded by ye surveiors Thereunto subscribed Aprill 15th 1712 laid out and bounded by us the subcribers Two Acrees of land unto Joshua Bramhall of plimouth lying betwen the land of John Mordo and the land of Ebenazar Dunham neere Shreves hole and is bounded from ye North East corner of ye sd Ebenasar Dunhams land to the southeast corner of John Mordows land being: 20: pole and then by sd Mordos land 16: pole to a heape of stones and thence to ye Northeast corner of Dunhams land being 20 pole and Then by sd Dunhams land to ye bounds first mentioned.

> Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop svrveiors

Lands belonging To Joshua Bramhall At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st of March 170<sup>10</sup> Then for and in Consideration of the sum four pounds and sixteen shillings well and truly paid by Joshua Bramhall of The Town of plimouth unto John Watson Treasurror of sd Town of plimouth for ye use of sd Town The

sd Town hath granted bargained sold made over and confirmed unto him ye sd Joshua Bramball and unto his heires and assignes for ever 15 acres and Eighten pole of land and is laid out by ye subscribers as ffolloweth December ye 30th 1713 laid out by us the subscribers fiften acrees and Eighten pole of land unto Joshua Bramhall of plimouth Joyning To ye land of Abiall Shurtlif neere sparrows hill and is Bounded as followeth (viz) with a Red oake bush in ye Rainge of Richard Holmes land and is ye westerly Corner bonnd of land laid out ye same Day unto Eliazar Rogers Thence southwest by sd holmes Rainge: 31: pole to a stake with stones about it standing on a hill in ye line which Devids ye land belonging to ye Town of plimouth and ye properietors of plimouth and particular persons and thence by ye Deviding line to land of said Shurtlef and thence Easterly by said Shurtlefs land until it meets with ye Roade and thence by ye Road to ye southerly corner bound of land laid out ye Same Day to Eliazar Rogers and Then by sd Rogers land to ye bounds first mentioned Reserving Wayes throw sd land where they may be Wanted

Nathaniel Thomas Abiall Shurtleff

One acree of land belonging To Richard Cooper Plimouth october 25 1711 A small peece or point of land Was laid out to Richard Cooper Containing one acree against his meadow at south meadows neere ye Cove for ye Convenience of ye fencing of his meadow and is bounded from a white oake tree Marked which Was ye bounds of George Bonams land neere west and by north as ye sd Coopers fence now Goeth to a Cedar stake stuck into ye Ground neere ye Northwestermost Corner by ye post and from thence Bounded by his own

meadow To ye bounds first mentioned The land aforsd was a part of ye sd Coopers 60 acree lot

 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \textbf{John Bradford} \\ \textbf{William Shurtlif} \end{array} \right\} \textbf{surveiors}$ 

lands belonging To Richard Cuper

March 15th 170 10 Then 18 acrees of land was laid out To Richard Cooper: 10: acrees Thereof it being an old Grant of land to those yt had meadow at ye south meadow it being laid out in ye Right of John Wood formerly of plimouth Deceased and Eight acrees in ve sd Richard Copers propety Right and bounded as ffolloweth on ye southerly Corner With a pine and oake trees it being the bounds of his other lands and from thence ye line to Extend North East and by East 21 pole to a pine Tree marked it being the Corner bounds of William Rings land, and then bounded by William Rings land southeast: 97: pole to a pine tree marked by a pond Caled Billentons sea and Ther ye line to Extend southwest: 34: pole to a pine Marked and Then Northwest to a pine Marked on ve North side of south meadow Way and Then to Extend southwest. 12 pole to ye bounds of his other lands and then Bounded by his other land to ye bounds first mentioned allowing ye way Where it now goeth to yesouth meadow.

James Warren Nathaniel Thomas surveiors

Town Meeting For ye Choyce of Grand Jurors of Tryals At A Town meeting held at plimouth ffebruary 15th 17013 for ye Choyce of Grand Jurors for ye yeare insuing at sd Meeting Ebenasar Cobbffrancis Adams And Thomas Clark Junior were Cson to serve on a Jury at the Inferior Cost of Comon pleas on ye first Tuesday of March next At this meeting Major John Bradford Capt James Warren and Mer Nathaniel Thomas were Chosen and Impowered as agents and trustees in sd towns behalf To Run ye line betwen sd plimouth Duxbury and plympton Township

lands belonging to Eliasar Rogers

[142. At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st of March 17019 Then for and in Consideration of ye Well and Truly paid pounds sum of in to John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth for the Euse of sd Town by Eliasar Rogers of sd plimouth The sd Town hath Granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto him ye sd Eliasar Rogers and unto his heires and assignes for Ever seventeen acrees and 53 pole of land and is laid out by ye surveirs as ffolloweth December 30th 1713 laid out by us The subscribers seventen acrees and 52 pole of land unto Eliasar Rogers of plimouth lying betwen sparrows hill and lands sometime past laid out to ye Ministrey and is Bounded as ffolloweth (viz) With a small Red oake bush with stones about it Being The Westerly Corner bound of land laid out ye same Day To Richard Cooper and is in ye Rainge of land belonging to Richard Holmes and from sd Bush Twenty Nine pole Southwest by sd holmes Rainge to a small Red oake bush with stones about it and Thence southeast: 88: pole To a Red oake sapling with stones about it standing by ye Roade and then by ye sd Road Easterly to ye bounds of land laid out ye same Day To Richard Cooper being a Red oake sapling with stones about it and Then Northwest by sd Coopers Rainge To ye bounds first mentioned Reserving Wayes Through Gates or Barrs Through sd land Where they may be wanted

Nath Thomas Abiall Shurtlef surveiors

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 15th of March  $17\frac{13}{14}$  for ye Choice of Town officers for ye yeare above mentioned Att sd Meeting Thomas ffaunce Was Chosen Town Clerk and sworn to serve in That office ye same Day by Capt Warren At This Meeting The Town voated To Chouse five selectmen for this present yeare The persons Chosen To serve as selectmen were Major Bradford Capt John Dyer Ins Benjamin

Warren John Watson and abial Shurtlif The Town also voted vt ve select Men above named shall make all The assessments both provence county and Town Charges falling Within ye yeare Ensuing The Cunstable first Chosen Were Capt Ephraim Morton and Jacob Mitchel but They both of Them openly in The Town meeting Declaring that they would not serve The Town in that office The Town proced to a new Choyce and made Choyce of Left Eliasar Jackson and James howland To serve in ye place of Cunstabes but sd James howland Declared he wold not serve in yt office but Jacob Mischel Did at last comply to serve ye Town in ye place of a cunstable soe ye Town made Choyce of Capt Dyer and abial shurtlef Two of ye selectmen to prosecut sd Morton and howland and site Them before ye Justises at the next Cort of quorter sessions To answer for their Refusals to serve ye Town as abovesd surveiors for ye high waies Ephraim Bradford Haverland Tory Thomas Morton and James Clarke Junior The select men are apointed by ye Town to order out how farr Each surveior shall mend on ye high Wayes and what quontitye of men to assist them for Agawame village The Town Made Choyce of Ebenasar Burges for Tithing man and a surveior for sd village Tithing men Eliasar Cushman Helkiah Bosworth Stephen Churchell and Ebenasar ffence vewers Abiall Shurtliff Ebenasar holmes and Thomas Holmes John Watson Chosen Town Treasurer Heverland Tory sealer of leather Samuel Harlow and John Bradford Junor Were Chosen to have Inspection of what Relats to ye measur of bord and Timber That is brought to be sold The hog Cunstabls Left Lathrop Capt Church John Barnes Nathaniel Holmes Junor and John Cook and ye Town voted That The Watch house upon Coles hill should be a place to Coope such swine as are Taken up legally untill they can Dispose of Them as The law Directs.

[143.] At The Town meeting last mentioned on ye 15<sup>th</sup> of March 1714 The Town Made choyce of Capt Dyer Ensign Warren and abial Shurtlif to serve on ye Grand Inquest at ye Next Superior Court in sd plimouth And Charles little Capt Morton John Barnes John foster and James Barnebe to serve on ye Jury of Tryals of sd Court With Refferance to the Sexton ye Town leaves ye matter With The select men of The Town To appoint The person and to allow such wages for his service therin as they shall Think fitt With Reference To ye promoting of a scool for lerning

of children at Each End of ye Town The Town Appointed The select Men of sd Town Together With Capt warren and Jacob Michel to consider of som Method To present To ye Town at the next Town meeting in order to promot That Work.

29 acres of land belong To John Wood

At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st of March 17019 for and in consideration of the sum of fifteen pounds five shillings and six pence well and Truly paid by John Wood of the Town of plimouth unto John Watson Treasurer of the Town of sd plimouth for the use of sd Town the Town hath Granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto him ye sd John Wood and to his beires and assignes for Ever Twenty nine acres and 24 pole of land as it was laid out by ye surveiors of the Town as follows December 29th 1713 iaid out by us the subscribers Twenty nine acres and Twenty four pole of land unto John Wood of plimouth Joyning to ye northerly end of land laid out for the use of the ministrey som yeares past and is Bounded as follows (viz) with a stake and hepe of stones on the side of a hill being the Easterly Corner bound of land lately laid out to Richard holmes and thence southwest by sd holmes his Rainge: 56: pole to a stake and a heape of stones and Thence south east: 66: pole to a stake and a heape of stones standing on ye side of a hill about 20 foot Eastward from the Westermost Corner of the sd ministrey land and thence Eastward by ye sd ministrey land about: 50: pole to a Red oake bush and a heape of stones being the southerly Corner bound of land lald out The same day unto Abiall Shurtlef and thence Northwest by the sd Shurtlefs Rainge: 60: pole to the southerly corner of the land of Mer John Mordo and then by sd Mordos Rainge Northwest to the Bounds first mentioned Reserveing waves through Gates or Barrs through sd land where they may be desired.

Nathaniel Thomas Abiall Shurtlef surveiors

Town meeting September 16 1714

Att a meeting of ye Inhabitants of ye Town of plimouth Duly warned and held on ye 16th Day of September 1714 voted at sd meeting yt a Rate of forty pounds be made and levied on ye Town for ye Towns use upon a petition of Timothy Morton yt an addition of lands mite be Granted him to ye old warehouse spott yt was formerly Mer Grayes The town appointed Nathaniel Thomas Esqr and Isaac Lathrop and Mer John Mordo to vew sd land and Make Report to the town how much or whether aney of sd land may be Conveniently Granted to sd Morton

Saxton ye select men to agre with

Voated in sd Town meeting that the selectmen Doe chose and Bargaine with a saxton to Give him not Exceeding six pounds per anum to swepe and Take care of ye meeting house and to Ring the bell by usuall and alsoe at nine of ye clock at night continually

John Churchell

[144.] Plimouth March  $10^{th}$   $17\frac{13}{14}$  Then laid out by us The subscribers Three Acrees and a half of land which formerly was Granted To Richard Willice Which sd Williss hath sold to John Churchell Bounded as ffolloweth (viz) beginning at a heape of stones a little above the South East Corner of Nathaniel holmes his fence on ye side of ye hill from thence ye line Extends south Twenty six Degrees Westerly 43 pole or thereabouts To a heape of stones To Ebenazar Eatons Rainge at oberey from thence by his Rainge Three Rod and a half wanting five foot to a heape of stones and from thence The line extends North: 26: Degrees Easterly fforty Three Rod or thereabouts To a heape of stones on the North side of a hill and from Thence The line Extends west 26 Degrees Northerly To ye bounds first mentioned.

Benjamin Warren } surveiors John Dyer

Lands

At a Town meeting held at plimouth on the 21st of March 170+0 ffor and in Consideration belonging to John Wood of the full sum of flifty two shillings and six pence Well and truly paid by John Wood of the Town of plimouth unto John Watson Town treasurer of sd plimouth for the use of sd Town The Town hath granted Bargained and sold made over and confirmed unto ye sd John Wood and to his heires and assignes for ever Three acres and one half of land and laid out by the surveiors as follows December 29th 1713 laid out by us the subscribers three acres and one half of land unto John Wood of plimouth being part of Dones field and is three sevenths of sd feild being all the three shares which Did belong unto Richard Cooper which ye sd Cooper Did Exchange with ye Town of plimouth for som common Joyning to his other land on ve Easterly side of ve Town brook neere the newfeilds the sd three acres and half is all the common land within ye sd feild and is lying with severall shares which Doth belong to Deacon Nathaniel Wood and is Bounded as followeth (viz) on ye east with ye land lately laid out to Nathaniel Jackson and Northerly with land lately laid out to Doctor Little Charles Little and Eliazar Jackson, and westerly by ye land belong to the ministrey and southerly partly by the Roade and partly by ye land which did belong unto Mr Nathaniel Warren Deceased Reserveing wayes through sd land through gates or barrs where they may be wanted

> Nathaniel Thomas Abiall Shurtlef

[145.] At a Town meeting held at at plimouth June 7th 1714
for ye Choyce of Jurors which were Ebenazar
holmes Samuel Nelson and Return Weight There
School houses
Being formerly some motion made to ye Town to
offer something To promote a scoole at Each End
of the Town in compliance Therewith The Town
voated at sd meeting To allow: 20: pound to the

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North End of ye Town to build a scool hous somwhere Neere Jacob Cooks and Twenty pounds To the south End In case they erect a scoole in that part of sd Town within two months or to abate in proportion for the time suspended for ye Erecting of sd scoole voted that with Reference to the Bonds given in to the Town Treasurer for the payment of money Due to sd Town from sundrey persons that have bought of those lands in sd town vt was sett to be sold for the suport of a scoole in sd town which now lyeth in sundry perticular men's hands Doo now voat that ye sd Town Treasurer gather in money Due to sd Town for the lands sold for the End abovesd by the first of November next Ensuing and those that neglect to pay in their money by that time the sd Treasurer is required to bring his actions against them for their sd neglect.

John Harlows Land At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 21st of March 17011 for and in Consideration of the sum of six pounds Well and truly paid by John Harlow of the Town of plimouth unto John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth for the use of the sd Town The Town hath granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto him the sd John Harlow and unto his heires for Ever Twelve Acres of land and is laid out and Bounded as ffollowing

ffebruary 22<sup>d</sup> 170<sup>1</sup>/<sub>1</sub> Then Twelve acres of land granted unto John Harlow at ye Town meeting March 21<sup>st</sup> 170<sup>1</sup>/<sub>1</sub> was laid to him by us the subscribers and bounded as ffolloweth on ye Northwest Cornei with a stake and heape of stones by ye path at ye head of Samuel Dunhams old lot of land and from sd stake and heape of stones The line to Extend southwest to a heape of stones in the Rainge of Ephraim Mortons land and then ye line to Extend southwest and by East: 32: pole to a heape of stones it being the Corner bounds of land laid out ye same Day to John ffaunce Junior and then the line to Extend North East by sd ffaunces land: 52: pole to a heape of stones by ye path and Then by sd path North Northwest: 32: pole to the bounds first mentioned

James Warren John Dyer surviors

John Harlows Land

At A Town Meeting held at ptimouth on ye 21 st Day of March 170 to for and in consideration of thirty and four shillings Well and Truly paid by John Harlow of the sd Town of plimouth unto John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth for ye use of sd Town hath granted Bargained sold made over and confirmed unto him ye sd John harlow and unto his heires and assignes for Ever one acree and Twenty pole of land Joyning to ye land where his house standeth and was laid out by the Surveiors of the Town on ye 6th of ffebruary 1711

laying out of John harlows Land

[146.] ffebruary 6 1711 laid out by us ye subscribers To John harlow of plimouth one acree and 20 pole of land Joyning to ye land Where his house standeth granted to him by ye Town of plimouth some years past And is Bounded as ffolloweth (viz) with a stone by the highway being ye Easterly Corner bound of his fathers old lot and thence southwest 7 Degrees southerly to a Rock on ye hill and thence on ye same point of Compas to a heape of stones neere huttle bery swompe being ye southerly corner bound of land laid out the same Day to his father and from sd heape of stones East about five pole to a heape of stones and thence North East and by East: 13: pole to a stone — sett into ye ground being ye bound of the land of Thomas Dotey and thence North East 2 Degrees Northerly to a heape of stones by the highway and then by ye sd highway to ye bounds first mentioned Reserving a way through sd land through gats or barrs in ye Winter season When ye snow lyeth in Drifts. Nathaniel

> Thomas Benjamin Warren

**E**phraim Kemptons Land

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21 st Day of March 17010 for and in Consideration of the sum of three pounds Well and Truly paid by Ephraim Kempton of the town of plimouth unto John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth for the use of sd

Town hath granted bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto him ye sd Ephraim Kempton and unto his heires and assignes for Ever a peece of land 1 Containing fifty foot in length and forty foot in breadth adjoining to the southerly side of the peece of land his house standeth upon and is laid out and bounded by ye persons subscribing as ffolloweth September 9th 1714 laid out by us the subscribers unto Ephriam Kempton of plimouth a peece of land Containing fifty foot in length and forty foot in breadth and adjoines to ye southerly side of the peece of land his house standeth upon and is bounded as follows (viz) Northerly by ye land of the sd Kempton Easterly by The way which leads to ye beach betwen ye sd Kemptons land and land of Timothy Morton: 40: foot to a stake and southerly by the Common: 50: foot to an other Stake and Westerly by a strip of Common which lyeth betwen ye land of Capt John Dyer and the sd Kemptons land

> Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop.

Town Meeting May 10<sup>th</sup> 1714 At A Town meeting held at plimouth May ye 10<sup>th</sup> 1714 the Inhabitants of the Town of plimouth made Choice of John Dyer to serve in ye place of a Town Clerk for this present Day At ye abovesd Town Meeting The Town made Choice of Mer John Watson To serve for and Represent them in the Great and Generall Court of Assembly held at Bostom for this yeare The Town also voted yt he should have four shilling a Day for wt service he should Doe for sd Town at sd Court Its farther voted yt Each householder should kill Three Blackbirds or one crow to Two householders this yeere voted that The seleectmen should receive ye Taile of Birds

Town Meeting At A Town meeting held at plimouth No-November 14 1714 vember 29 th 1714 for Choyce of a Represen-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This piece of land was in the rear of the barn of E. and J. C. Barnes standing on the southerly side of Leyden street.

tative and at sd meeting Mer John Watson Was againe Chosen to serve ye sd Town as their Representative At This meeting The Town made Choyce of four Jurors to serve in Desember Court which were Edward Stephens John ffaunce Jun George Morton Jun and Stephen Churchill At This meeting the Inhabitants voated to Improve Abiall Shurtlif to make Shutters to all the lower windows in ye meeting house upon ye Charge of the Town It was further voted that ye selectmen shold make sale of the wach house if they see cause for ye Towns use

Town Meeting february 21 1715

At a Town meeting held at plimouth ffebruary 21 st 170 14 att This meeting it was voated That With Refference to William Stirtevents complaint against the Town unto the Court Relating to ve high way That Capt James Warren with any one of The selectmen should answer in the Towns behalf To sd complaint At sd meeting Timothy Morton had an Enlargement of land granted to him Joyning to ye land Mer Grays warehous stands or neere ye Town pond At This meeting it was voted by ye Town yt ye new way lately laid out toward Sandwich above Moreys be cleared at ye Towns Charge and made Choyce of Insigne Benjamin Warren to hire sd way Cleared att sd Towns Charge It was alsoe voted that ye selectmen should with aney that offer To mend all the high wayes by ye year and to make Report thereof at ye next Town meeting

Timothy Mortons Grant Whereas upon The petition Timothy Morton To ye Town of Plimouth at Their meeting held September 16<sup>th</sup> 1714 That There might be an addition of lands made to the warhous spott of land formerly M<sup>r</sup> Gray's The Town appointed us the subscribers a committee to view and make Report of what may be conveniently Done Thereon wee make Report as ffollows The sd

Morton being The proprietor of the next lot on ye Northerly side which was granted to Mr William Clark and he agreeing yt a straite line cutting a bitt of his sd Northerly lott on the southwest corner Therof be Runn as ffolloweth wee do on yt condition run sd steaght line (viz) from ye northwest corner bounds of sd lot granted to sd Clark sixty ffoott southerly to a stone sett into ye ground about Eighteen foot from ye line of Ephraim Kemptons oposite land and from sd stone seventy five foot Easterly on a parralle line with ye land or wharffe of John Rickard provided sd Morton do whorf down so far within Three years from this Time but if not then so far Down as he shall within sd space have whorfed Dated this  $21^{st}$  ffebruary  $170\frac{1}{15}$ 

Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop John Mordock

This Return sined by sd Comity was Red in open Town meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> of february 1714 and voted the sd lott of land as above described shold belong to ye sd Timothy Morton and unto his heires for Ever.

At a Town meeting March 7<sup>th</sup> 17<del>14</del>

At A Town meeting held at plimouth March 7th 1714 for Choyce of Town officers the Town Clerk chosen was Thomas ffaunce and voted to chose 5 selectmen which are as follows Major John Bradford Capt John Dyer Ensign Benjamin Warren Abiall Shurtlef and Mer John Watson and voated yt ye selectmen shold assessors for ye yeare Ensuing The cunstables chosen James Howland and Joshua Bramhall The Tithingmen chos are Eliazar Rogers Elisha Studson and Joseph Holmes Jun surveiors for ye High ways are Girsham Bradford Ebenazar holmes, Joseph Silvester and Stephen Barnabe Samuel Bates Tithingman and William Swift surveior for Agawame precincts fence vewers Josiah Finney Ebenazar Cobb James Barnabe

Capt John Dyer sealer of weights and measures Samuel Harlow and John Bradford chosen to have inspection of bords Timber and Lumber that is brought to sale

[148.] At A Town meeting held at plimouth March 21st 1715 upon a motion made to ye Town Relating to the building a Cart bredg over Jones River neere Jacob Cooks Major John Bradford prefered to give Toward the building sd bridge what stones were on his That were sutable for sd worke and sett his hand thereunto John Bradford Jacob Cooke likewise proffered that In case Those yt Did sd worke should have what stones They could get of his land in case they Took as many loads of Cobling stones as of binding stones for sd work and To this promise to ye Town he set his hand in town meeting Jacob Mitchell also promised to give what stones was on his land convenient for sd worke only they were not to take any that were neere his raing where he was about to erect a fence upon this The Town voted a Cart bredge to be built over sd River to be built with stones and voated vt the selectmen should make a rate upon ve In-Committe habitants of the Town to Defray ve charge thereof and voated That Benjamin Warren John Watson and Abiall Shurtlef should agree with persons to Doe sd work At this meeting Samuel Doty petitioned that the Town would be pleased to give him the grant of the house lot out and out or to grant him some farther time upon which the town voated That In Samuel Dotey did build a Deasent Credable house on sd land aney time within three years after This date then The sd land to belong to ve sd Samuel Dotey and unto his heirs and assignes for Ever Voated That the selectmen are to make som orders Relating to the measuring of wood yt is brought to sale voated That on condition that the owners of the seat before the place where the Negroes and Indians sett at the meet-

ing house Doe give 3 pounds Towards Erecting a plase

Dotey

for said Negroes and Indians to sett in sd meeting house Elsewhere than they have liberty to make yt Rome into three pews

Town Meeting	At A Town meeting held	d at	Ply:	mouth	
May 9th 1715	August Twenty ninth 1715	ats	sd m	eeting	
Jurors chosen	The Town voated to rai	se ye	su:	ns of	
Town Meeting	money by rate on ye Inhal	oitant	s Tl	ne ac-	
August 29th	count in the particulars are a	s fol	lowet	th	
<b>17</b> 15					
Imprimis for Jones River bredg		80	00	00	
Item for ye scoole		10	00	00	
Item for ye Representative		12	00	00	
Item for the laying out ye way between Jonathan					
Moreys and Sandwedg		04	00	00	
Item for Reparation of meeting house broke by					
Thunder		06	00	00	
Item for windows frame and glass		16	00	00	
Item for ye Poore		10	00	00	
Item for the bredg at John Bradfords		00	19	06	
Item to making rates		06	00	00	
Item to the Saxton ringing the bell		03	00	00	
Item to ye Saxton for ringing ye 9 o'clock bell		03	00	00	
voated to allow three pounds for the ringing ye 9 o'clock					
bell the year Ensuing					

Stephen Churchil's Eight acres

Churchill

[149.] At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21 st of March 17<sup>11</sup> for and in Consideration of ye sum of four pounds and five shillings by Steven Churchill of the Town of plimouth well and truly paid unto John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth for ye use of sd Town the Town hath given granted bargained sold made over and confirmed unto the above named Stephen Churchill and unto his heirs and assignes for Ever Eight acres of land more or less on ye Easterly side of loud Pond and Bounded as ffolloweth (viz) Beginning at a Red oake Bush wth stones about it by ye path side being the North East Corner bound of ye land lately laid out to Jonathan Barnes Junior and from Thence to Extend

soutwest and by west: 66: pole by sd Barnes's land to a stake by loud Pond and Thence South Easterly by sd Pond to a Red oake marked on 4 sides which was ye westerly corner bound of ye land laid out ye same Day to Mer Ephraim Little and Thence by sd Littles land North East and by East half a point Northerly till it coms to a Red oake bush marked on 4 sides in ye Rainge of ye land lately laid out to Nathaniel Holmes which is also ye Northwest corner bound of said Littles land and thence to Extend about Northwest and by West about Ten pole to ye sd barnss corner bounds first mentioned allowing waies where they may be wanted

Nathaniel Thomas | surve Isaac Lathrop

land belong ing to Stephen Churchill

At a Town meting held at plimouth March 21 st 1710 for and in Consideration of Three pounds and Ten Shillings by Stephen Churchill unto John Watson Town Treasurer of plimouth for ye use of ye sd Town paid ye sd Town hath given granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto ye above named Stephen Churchill and unto his heires and assignes for Ever a sertaine peice of land laid out september 17th 1714 September ye 17 th laid out by us The subscribers unto Stephen Churchill of plimouth a peice of land lying betwen ye lane which leads from ye highway by Eliasar Mortons To Barnses creak 1 and The Town pond and is bounded as follows (viz) with A stone sett into ye ground about: 48: foot from ye Corner of John fosters land and about 24 foot from Mer Watsons fence and from sd stone Northerly to an other stone by ve sedgey ground and Thence Easterly by ye sedgey ground untill it coms neere to ye mouth of sd creak and Thence southerly to a stone sett into ve ground about: 47: foot from ye Northerly Corner of the sd Churchills shopp and Thence to an other stone

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Barnes Creek ran across what is now Water street into the Ropewalk Pond and drained the low land in the vicinity of Bradford street.

sett into ye ground about: 23: foot from sd Watsons fence and thence by ye sd lane to the stone first mentioned leaving the lane not less than 23 foot wid in the narrowest place

Nath Thomas Isaac Lathrop

Mer Thomas Grant At A Town Meeting held at plimouth May 9<sup>th</sup> 1715 The Town mad Choyce of Capt James Warren Esquire to be Their Representative At This meeting The Town granted unto Nathaniel Thomas Esqu Junior six acres of the highest part of ye flatt in plimouth bay lying Eastward of howlands fishing Rocks yt is to say: 6: acres of yt part of the sd flatt that lyeth against Caleb Cooks land upon Condition That ye sd Thomas or his heires or assignes shall plant out some of it with sedg Turf soe that it Doth grow and spread in ye space of seaven yeares from ye Date hereof then to belong to him ye sd Thomas and unto his heires and assignes for Ever but if not Then to Return ye Town againe.

At this meeting Capt John Dyer was chosen to take care yt ye meeting house glas be Repared and bring in his account to ye Town to be Reimbursed

[150.] At A Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 7th of June 1715 Major John Bradford was Chosen Representative in ye Rome of Capt James Warren Deceased At This meeting The Town Treasurer brought in his account of what money was Due to the Town in his hand and To Ballance the account There Remaines Due to the Town

Town Meeting May 7<sup>th</sup> 1716 17

At a Town meeting held at plimouth May 7<sup>th</sup> 1716 M er Nathaniel Thomas was Chosen Representative

At This meeting it was voated yt with Reference to Mer John Stirtevants Request yt The Return of his land laid out by Left Shurtlef and Capt Warren now Deceased mite be comited To Record though only signed by sd Left Shurtlef which was Some Reserve of Training green Coles hill etc

granted At This meeting it was voated by ye Town That ye Training Green Coles bill A spot of land about ye grat gutter with all the Comon lands to Each parcel Adjoyning shal not be Desposed to aney person with out special license from ye Town Notwithstanding former grants

May 8th 1716 Then a high Way was laid out by us ye subscribers ye selectmen of The Town of plimouth on ye south side of Welensle brook begining at ve Kings high way and begining at ye north corner at a heape of stones up yt way yt leads to little Town 20 foot Wide Till it coms to ye land sold to George Morton Then ye way to be 30 foot wide and bounded by severall heaps of stones on ye south side ye way as ye Cart way now goeth Till it coms past sd Mortons land Then to be 40 foot wide up though Samuel Dunhams land to a stone sett into ve ground on ye north side of the way and another on ye south side of way oposite and so to hold 40 fot wid to a stone sett into ye ground on ye northward side a little to the southard of sd Dunhams house and through his fence to A stone sett into ye ground on ye Northward side the way 20 foot to ye Norward of John Drews corner bounds and then the way to be 30 foot wide betwen Drew land and Dumhams land and soe along ye way as it now goeth till it coms Through Dunhams land to a stone sett into ye ground on ye south side ye way and soe along ye way to a Rock being on ye side of a hill betwen Cedar swompe way and Rocks pond way to a stone sett into ye ground on the Top of a hill on ye West side ye way and soe along ye way as it now goeth to a Red oake tree marked on ye northard side ye way and thence through Dunhams land till Comes To Sergant harlows westerly Corner bound which is on the Easterly side ye way and from thence ye way still to be 30 foot wide and soe along ye way as it now goeth by the north side of Cooks pond and soe along way as it now goeth to the Cedar swompe till it Coms to plimton bounds

per us Benjamin Warren

John Dyer Abiall Shurtlef

Ways

[151.] Whereas The Inhabitants of ye Town of plimouth Did at a Town meeting held at sd plimouth on ye 31 of August 1702 make a grant of Little medow swompe unto the persons herein mentioned (viz) Deacon Thomas Clarke Left Jonathan Morey Jonathan Morey Junior William Harlow Samuel Cornish James Clark Junior John Clarke Joseph Silvester humphrey Turner Joseph Bartlet Junior Elnathan Bartlet Benjamin Bartlet and John May All these proprietors Being mett at The house of Thomas Witherel in sd plimouth on ye 12 th Day of October 1713 Then made Choyce of Thomas ffaunce to be their Clerk and was sworn to that office for them by Capt James Warren Esquire and Wheras Elish holmes being Intended to have his name Entered in ye Town grant with those above named but his name being slipt in ye Record of ye grant and whereas The sd Elisha Holmes hath ben at The labour and Charge as to his full part with the Rest of sd proprietors of sd swompe in Drowning sd swompe and since in Dividing sd swompe into perticular allotments The proprietor of sd swompe Did at This meeting Eunanemosly Agree and voted that the sd Elisha holmes shall have a ffull share with them in ye whole of sd swompe above granted as fully and amply to all Intents and purposes as if his name had been Entered in ye first grant And wheras the sd proprietors have proceded to lay out sd swompe into perticular allotments as apears on Town Record but those allotments not being made see Intelejable as was needfull The proprietors Did at this meeting make choice of Ensign Benjamine Warren Joseph Silvester and Samuel Cornish to new survey sd allotments and give a more Clere Returne of the boundary ye points of Compas sd allotments Rainge and voted that the allotments shold Remane to Each proprietor according to their former Draught of sd lots at sd meeting the proprietors made Choyce of Samuel Cornish Joseph Silvester and James Clarke to make up The grat Dam at sd swompe as sone as may be upon ye proprietors Charge and when they have Dun sd work They are hereby Impowed To warne in the proprietors To meete at tim and place as they shall apoint

Wheras The proprietors of ye swompe called Littles meadow swompe at A meeting of them held at plimouth on ye 12 Day of october 1713 at the house of Thomas Witherly in sd plimouth Mad Choyce of us The subscribers to new Run The severall lots lately laid out by Ichabod Tuper in sd Littles meadow to settle and Demonstrate The point of Compas Every lot bore Togetherwith the number of Rods belonging to Each lot which was omitted in sd Tupers Retern in laying out sd lots and wee The subscribers having Taken sd worke upon us have proceeded Therein as ffolloweth The point of Compas betwen The head of their lots and the additions is South 15 Degrees Westerly as farr as the Rainges goeth sd Rainge begins at a stake and a heape of stones at the North East End of the Swompe about: 4: pole To ye Eastward of a neck of upland that Runs into the swompe

[152.] The first lot Belongs to Elnathan Bartlet and is bounded as followeth (viz) beginning at the North West corner of the grat Dam and from thence southerly by the uplands 22 pole To a stake standing by ye side of ye upland and numbered 1. 2. with stones about it Thence North 29 Degrees Easterly across the meadow about a seaven Rod To a Red oake marked and numbered 1. 2. Thence Northerly by the upland till it Coms to ye grate Dam and Then by ye sd Grat Dam To ye bounds first mentioned

The 2 lot The second lot belongs To Samuel Cornish and is Bounded as ffoloweth (viz) begining at ye south corner bounds of the first lot and from Thence the line Extends southeast 31 Degrees Easterly across The meadow and swompe till it coms To the upland on ye other side to a stake marked and numbered 2. 3. Thence Northwesterly by the upland Till it coms To a Red oake and numbered 1. 2. Thence South 29 Degrees Westerly To ye bounds first mentioned

The 3<sup>d</sup> lot The 3<sup>d</sup> lot Belongeth to Jonathan Morey and bounded by the second lot Throughout the whole length beging at a stake marked and numbered 1. 2. with stones about it Thence southerly by the upland: 8: Rod to a stake marked and numbered 3. 4. with stones about it by the upland and Thence southeast 26 Degrees Easterly across The swompe and meadow till it coms to ye upland on ye other side to a stake marked and numbered 3. 4. Thence northerly by the upland till it comes to the bounds of ye 2<sup>d</sup> lot

The 4 lot The forth lot Belongeth to Elisha Holmes and Bounded as ffoloweth The fourth lot bounded by ye third lot Throughout ye whole length and Rainges in breadth from it southerly by the upland Eight Rod and a half to a stake marked and numbered 4. 5. with stones about it standing by ye upland Thence across ye meadow and swomp Southeast 26 Degres Easterly Till it Coms to ye line between the Aditions and ye lots 38 Rod to a stake marked Three and numbered 4. 5. and thence north to ye upland and then by ye upland to ye bounds of ye third lot

The 5<sup>th</sup> lot The fifth lot Belongeth To James Clarke Junior and is bounded by the fourth lot throughout The whole length and Rainges in breadth from it south by The upland: 8: Rod lacking 3 foot To a stake marked and and numberd 5. 6. with stones about it Thence South East 26 Degrees Easterly across ye meadow and swomp Till it Coms to a stake marked and numbered 5. 6. standing in ye line betwen the aditions and lots Thence North: 15: Degrees Easterly to ye bounds of the 4<sup>th</sup> lot.

The 6th lot The sixth lot Belongeth To ye heires of John Clarke and is Bounded by ye fifth lot Throughout the whole length and Rainges in breadth from it southerly by ye upland 8 Rod lacking two fott to a stake marked and numbered 6. 7. standing by ye upland with stons about it Thence South East 24 Degrees Easterly across the meadow and swomp till it Coms to a stake marked and numbered 6. 7. standing in ye Rainge betwen ye Additions and ye lots Thence north 15 Degrees Easterly to the bounds of the fifth lot

The 7<sup>th</sup> lot The seventh lot Belongeth To John May and is Bounded by the sixth lot Throught The whole length and Rainges in breadth from it southerly by the uplands 8 Rod and 9 ffott Till it Coms To a stake marked and numbered 7. 8. standing by the upland with stons

about it Thence South East 25 Degrees across the meadow and swompe till it Coms to a stake marked and numbered 7. 8. standing in the Rainge of the Adition Thence North 15 Degree Easterly To the bounds of the Sixth lot

The 8th lot

The Eight lot Belongeth To Jonathan Morey and is
Bounded by ye 7th lot Throughout The whole length
and Rainges in breadth from it southerly by ye upland
8 Rods Till it Coms to a stake marked numbered 8.9.
With stones about it Thence south East 24 Degrees
Easterly across ye meadow and swompe till It Coms
To a stake marked and numbered 8.9. standing in ye
line betwen ye additions and ye lots Thence North:
15: Degrees Easterly To the bounds of the seaventh
lot.

### [153.]

The 9th lot

The ninth lot belongs To ye heires of William Harlow and is Bounded by the 8th lot Till it Comes To a stake marked and numbered 8. 9. standing in ye line betwen ye additions and ye lots and Rainges in breadth from it southeast by ye upland 8 Rod Till it Coms to a Stake marked and numbered 9. 10. with stone about it by ye upland and from thence ye line Extends southeast 23 Degrees Easterly across the meadow and swompe Till it Coms to a stake Marked and numbered 9. 10. standing next ye upland side Thence Easterly by the upland Till it Coms To a pine tree Marcked: 4: Noches on ve North side and is the bound ye most southermost Additions and the: 9: lot And from sd Tree The line Extends Northwest Till it Coms to ye head of ye lots Then South 15 Degrees Westerly till it Coms to The southeast corner bounds of ye 8th lot which is a stake marked and numbered 8.9.

The 10<sup>th</sup> lot The Tenth lot Belongs To humphrey Turner And is Bounded by ye 9<sup>th</sup> lot Throuout The whole length and Rainges in breadth from it southerly by the upland Tenn Rod and 3 foot Till it Coms to a stake

marked and numbered. 10. 11. with stones about it Thence South East 25 Degrees Easterly across ye meadow and swompe Till it Coms to ye upland on ye other side To a stake Marked and numbered 10. 11. and Then By the upland to the bounds of the ninth lot.

### The 11<sup>th</sup> lot

The Eleventh Lot Belongeth To Joseph Silvester and is bounded by ye 10<sup>th</sup> lot Throuout The whole length and Rainges in breadth from it southerly by the upland 10 Rod to a stake marked and numbered. 11. 12. with stones about it Thence South East 29 Degrees Easterly across ye meadow and swompe till it Coms to the upland on ye other side and a stake marked there and numbered 11. 12. and then Northwesterly by the upland till it Coms to ye bounds of the tenth lot

#### The 12th lot

The Twelveth lot Belongeth To Samuel Rider and Bounded by ye 11 th lot throughout The whole length and Rainges in breadth from it southerly by the upland 9 Rods lacking 4 foot To a stake marked and numbered. 12. 13 with stones about it Thence southeast 28 Degrees Easterly across ye meadow and swompe to the upland on ye other side To a stake marked there and numbered. 12. 13. and Then Northerly by The upland To ye bounds of the Eleventh lot

#### The 13th lot

The Thirteenth lot Belongenth To the heires of Joseph Bartlett Junior Deceased and is Bounded by the 12 lot Throughout ye whole length and Rainges in breadth from it Southerly by the upland 8 Rod and a half To a stake marked and numbered: 13: 14: with stones about it thence South East 31 Degrees Easterly across the meadow and swompe Till it Coms to the upland on the other side to a stake marked and numberd: 13: 14: Then Northerly by ye upland to ye bounds of the 12<sup>th</sup> lot

The 14th lot

The fortenth lot Belongeth To Benjamin Bartlet and is Bounded by ye 13 th lot Throughout ye whole

length and Rainges in breadth from it Southerly by ve upland 8 Rod to a stake marked and numbered: 14:15: with stones about it Thence Southeast 30 Degrees Easterly across the meadow and swompe Till it Coms To ye upland on ye other side to a stake marked and numbered: 14:15: thence Northerly by The upland Till it Coms To ye bounds of the thirteenth lot

The 15th lot

The ffiftenth lot is Deacon Thomas Clarks and Bounded by ye 14th lot Throughout ye whole length and Rainges in breadth from it Southwest 5 Degrees Southerly 18 Rods to a white oake bush marked and numbered 15 on ye one side and one on ye other side Thence South East Two Degrees Southerly 9 Rods to a pine tree marked and numbered 15 Thence North Easterly by ye upland Till it Coms to the bounds of the ffortenth lot

The first Addition

[154.] The Additions to the foure first lots are as ffolloweth (viz) lyeth on ye East side of the swompe The first addition is Elnathan Bartlets bounded as ffolows Begining at the northeast end of ye long Dam Thence North Westerly by the upland till it Coms to a stake numbered: 1: with stones about it by ye upland and from Thence Southwest one Degree Westerly till it Coms to ye upland on ye other side and thence by The upland to the long Dam and then by ye long Dam to the bounds first mentioned

The 2d Addition

The second addition is Samuel Cornishs and bounded as ffoloweth Beging at Elnathan Bartlets Northwest corner bounds which is a stake and a heape of stones by the upland Thence South West one Degree Westerly 16 Rods lacking 4 foot to a stake standing in the meadow ground with stons about it Thence North 29 Degrees Westerly Till it Coms to Left Morevs corner bounds that is his southwest corner Thence North 15 Degrees Easterly till it Coms To The upland and then Easterly by the upland Till it coms To ye Bounds first mentioned

## The 3<sup>rd</sup> Addition

The Third Addition Belongs to ye heires of Left Jonathan Morey Deceased and Bounded as ffoloweth (viz) by the second addition Throughout ye whole length Rainging in breadth from it southwest one Degree Westerly 8 Rods and a half Till it coms to a pine Tree marked numbered: 3: 4: by The Edge of the swompe Thence North 29 Degrees Westerly Till it Coms to the heads of the lots

## The 4<sup>th</sup> Addition

The fourth addition To Elisha Holmes and Bounded as ffolloweth (viz) by The 3<sup>rd</sup> Division on ye north side and from it south 24 Degrees Westerly 8 Rod and 6 foot Till it coms To a pine tree marked: 4: noches on the north side and from Thence The line Extends Northwest Till it coms to the head of the lots and Thence north 15 Degrees Easterly Till it coms to ye third addition

# The second alotments The first lot

The second Allotments Belonging To Littles meadow and lyeth above The first alotment up streame Above The: 15: lot The ffirst lot belongs To Elisha Holmes and Bounded as ffoloweth Begining at a White oake Bush on The southerly side of the Brook which is ye southwest corner Bounds of Deacon Clarks first Allotment marked and numbered: 15: on one side and one on the other side and from thence the line Extends as the swomp goes neere northwest: 16: Rod and a half To a stake marked and numbered: 1:2: with stones about it standing by ye upland Thence across ye swompe and meadow northwest to a stake on ye other side marked and numbered: 1: 2: by ye upland with stones about it Thence North Easterly by ye upland Till it Coms to ye Raing of Deacon Clarks fiftenth lot Thence by his lot to ye bonds first mentioned

The 2<sup>d</sup> lot

The second lot Belongs To ye heaires of John Clark Deceased and is bounded by ye first lot at ye North End There and from a stake marked 1: 2: with stones about it which is ye southwest corner bounds of ye first lot and from thence ye line Extends southerly by ye upland 28 Rod Till it Coms to a stake marked and numbered: 2: 3: with stones about it by ye Edg of ye upland on ye westerly side of the brok Thence East: 16: Degrees Northerly Till it Coms to a stake in ye Edg of ye upland on ye other side and numbered: 2: 3: with stons about it Thence North Easterly by The upland to ye bounds of the first lot

The 3rd lot

The Third lot Belongs To Joseph Silvester and bounded by The second lot at ye north End or side and from The southwest corner of ye 2<sup>d</sup> lot southerly by ye upland 24 Rod to a stake marked and numbered: 3: standing by a Grat Rock by the upland Thence across A Tongue of swompe East: 9: Degrees southerly: 6: Rod to a stake marked on: 3: sides and numbered: 4: 5: with stones about it Thence The line Extends East: 23: Degrees northerly across ye meadow and swompe To Two White oaks marked and numbered: 3: 4: with stones about them Thence Northerly by ye upland To The Bounds of the second lot

The 4th lot

bounded as ffolloweth (viz) By the: 3: lot Throughout the whole length Rainging at A stake markt and numbered: 3: 4: 5: with stons about it standing on a knowle of upland in ye swompe Being ye southerly corner bounds of the 3° lot Thence East 28 Degrees southerly across ye meadow Till it coms to a pine tree marked and numbered: 4: 5: standing by ye upland Thence Northerly by the upland 18 Rods and a half Till it coms to the bounds of the third lot

[155.] The fourth lot Belongeth to Samuel Rider and is

The 5th lot

The ffifth lot belongeth To Humphrey Turner and Bounded by the 4<sup>th</sup> lot and Rainges from it southerly by ye upland seaven Rod and a half To a stake markt and numbered: 5:6: with stones about it and from thence ye line Extends southerly A Eleven Degrees southerly Across ye meadow and swompe to a pine tree markt and numbered: 5:6: Thence northerly by the upland To ye bounds of the: 4:lot

The 6th lot

The sixth lot Belongeth To James Clarke Juni and Bounded by the fifth lot on ye north side and Rainges from it westerly by the upland: 18: Rods to a stake marked and numbered: 6: 7: with stons about it by the upland Thence southerly by the upland Till it Coms to ye bounds of the fifth lot

The 7th<sup>th</sup> lot

The seventh lot Belongeth To Benjamin Bartlett and Bounded by ye 6th lot Throughout the whole length and Rainges in breadth from it westerly by ye upland Eleven Rod and almost half To a stake marked and numbered: 7:8: with stones about it by ye upland Thence south East 2 Degrees southerly across ye meadow and swompe Till it coms to a stake marked and numbered: 7:8: with stones about it Thence Northerly by The upland Till it Coms To the bounds of the sixth lot

The 8th lot

The Eight lot Belongeth To the heires of Joseph Bartlet Junior Deceased Bounded by the 7th lot throughout the whole length and Rainges in breadth from it Southwesterly by ye upland: 5: Rod to a stake marked and numbred: 8: 9: with stones about it Thence Southeast 3 Degree Easterly across ye meadow and swompe till it coms to a stake marked and numbred: 8: 9: 15 standing in ye swompe below ye Dam with stons about it Thence North East 5 Degrees Easterly To the bounds of the seaventh lot

The 9th lot

The ninth lot Belongeth To The heires of Left Jonathan Morey Deceased and Bounded by ye 8th lot throughout ye whole length and Raingeth in breadth from it southwest a little southerly by ye upland: 7: Rods To a stake marked and numbered: 9: 10: With stones about it by the upland Thence South East: 9: Degrees Easterly across ye meadow and swompe to a stake marked and numbered: 9: 10: standing by the upland Thence Easterly To the bounds of the Eight lot

The 10th lot

The Tenth lot is Deacon Clarks and bounded by the 9<sup>th</sup> lot Throughout ye whole length and Rainges in breadth from it Southerly by the upland: 9: Rod and a half to a stake marked and numbered: 10: 11: with stones about it Thence South East 16 Degrees Easterly across ye meadow and swompe to a stak marked and numbered: 10: 11: standing by the upland Thence Easterly by the upland Till it Coms to the bounds of the: 9: lot

The 11th lot

The Eleventh lot Belongeth To Jonathan Morey Junior and bounded by ye Tenth lot Through out ye whole length and Rainges in breadth from it southeasterly by ye upland 22 Rod To a stake marked and numbred: 10: 11: with stones about it Thence South East 2 Degrees Easterly Across ye meadow and swompe to a stake marked and numbered: 11: standing by ye upland then North Easterly by ye upland till it Coms to ye bounds of the Tenth lot

The 12th lot.

The Bounds betwen The 12th and 13 lots is a pine Tree marked and numbered: 12:13: standing by ye Edg of ye upland on ye Northward side of the brook with stones about it about: 4: Rods above were the old Cart way went across or over ye brook And from sd Tree The line Extends south 8 Degrees Easterly across the Brook To a stake marked and numbred: 12:13: by ye Edg of ye upland on ye other side of ye brook with stones about it and all ye swompe

and meadow lying To ye southward of the line belonging to Little meadow brook To belong to The 12<sup>th</sup> lot and is about 2 acrees and a half sd lot belongeth To Jonathan Morey

The 13 lot

The Thirtenth lot Belongeth To ye heires of William harlow and Bounded by ye 12th lot at ye Northeast Corner therof Begining at a stake marked and numbered: 12: 13: with stones about it on ye south side of ye brook from thence Easterly and Southerly and againe Easterly as ye meadow and swompe goeth hom to ye upland 58 Rod to a stake marked and numbered: 13: 14: by ye upland standing betwen 2 Rocks and from thence ye line Extends North 30 Degrees Easterly across The meadow and swompe to a pine Tree marked and numbrd 13: 14 with stones about it by ye uplanp Thence by ye upland Northwest 8 Degrees westerly Eight Rod and three fot To a stake marked and numbred: 13:15: with stones about it Thence Northwest 12 Degrees Northerly across ye meadow and swomp to an other stake marked and numbred 13: 15 standing by the upland with stones about it thence westerly by ye upland till it Coms to a pine Tree marked and numbred: 12: 13: which is the North corner bounds of ye 12 lot

The 14 lot

The fortenth lot belongs To Samuel Cornish and is all the swomp and meadow belonging To Little meadow brook To ye Eastward of ye Rainge of the 13 lot and is about 2 acrees

The 15th lot

The ffiftenth lot Belongeth To Elnathan Bartlett Butts on ye broad side of the 13th lot Begining at a stake marked and numbred: 13: 15 with stones About it by a corner of upland on the East side of the Brook Thence Northeasterly By The upland 39 Rod To a pine marked: 15: Thence west 2 Degres westerly To The upland on ye other side Then

Southerly by ye upland Till it Coms to The Rainge of the 13<sup>th</sup> lot

Benjamine Warren Samuel Cornish Joseph Silvester

That you so written in ye marjant against ye  $13^{\,\rm th}$  lot must Come in and be Red at ye End of ye  $9^{\,\rm th}$  line and soe come in betwen The  $9^{\,\rm th}$  and  $10^{\,\rm th}$  lines

At a meeting of the properietors of Littls meadow swompe soe caled legally warned and generally and fully attended by sd properietors at the house of Deacon Thomas Clarke in plimouth on ye 15 th Day of ffebruary 170 \( \frac{1}{15} \) at this meeting those of properietors That had ben Improved by a former act of ye sd properietors to settle the boundries of Each properietors share or lot in sd swompe and to work about the Daming sd swomp gave in an account of what they had Don therin and Drew up an account of the Charge sd work came to both as to The new seting forth of ye bounderys of Each lot and what point of Compas Every lot bore and the making up the Dams in sd swomp according to a former act of sd properietors Together with the Charge of Recording The severall allotments to Each properietor The account of

### [157.] The sum Totall of the Charge for ye work Don on ye other side mentioned

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The perticulars are as followeth (viz)

Imprimis To The Clerk for his Service for

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the properietors	01 — 01 — 00
To Benjamin Warren	01 — 16 — 00
To Joseph Silvester	00 - 19 - 00
To Samuel Cornish	00 — 19 — 00
To James Clarke	00 - 14 - 00
To Josiah Clarke	00 03 00
To John May	00 — 04 — 08
To Benjamin Rider	00 — 03 — 00
To James Clarke Junor	00 — 03 — 00

The Charge Coms to Eight shillings and thre pence to Each properietor At The meeting of the propietors last mentioned They made Choice of Joseph Silvester Tobe their Treasur or To Receive of Each propietor Their proportion of the Charge above mentioned and to pay to Each person above mentioned their Due And it Was also voted that Every propietor shall pay his sd proportion above mentioned Within Two monthsafter the date of the meeting unto the sd Treasur or be lyable to his action against those yt shall neglect or Refuse soe to Doe and for as much as there is still som work to be Don about the Dam in sd swompe they Chose Benjamin Warren and Samuel Cornish to fix upon a Time Convenien to Doe sd work and to worn in sd owners to Doe sd work and voted to allow three shillings a Day to ye labourrors

Plimouth January 28th 1719/20

The first

A Devision of the 2 d lot of Cedar swomp in Southshare meadow swomp by us the subscribers owners of sd lot
as ffollows

The first share Begins at A pine Tree on piney Island which is the bound Betwen the first and second grat lots and from Thence ye line Extends South 10 Degrees Westerly Across ye swomp to A maple Marked and from ye tree first mentioned on pine Island it Extends in breadth: 27: Rood East half a point Southerly to A pine Tree numbred: 1: 11: and Thence South 10 Degrees Westerly Across the lott

The 2<sup>d</sup> The second share is Bounded by ye first share on ye share Westerly side and Extends in breadth from it Easterly by ye swompe: 24: Rods to a small pine numbred: 2: 3: and from Thence south Ten Degrees Westerly Across the lot

The 3<sup>d</sup> The third share is Bounded by ye second share on ye share Westerly side and Rainges In breadth from it Easterly by ye swomp: 24: Rod to a smal pine numbred: 3:4: Thence South 10 Degres Westerly Across the lot

The 4<sup>th</sup> The fourth share is Bounded by ye 3<sup>d</sup> share on ye Share Westerly side and Extends from it Easterly by ye swompe: 22: Rods and a half to a hemlock marked and numbered: | | | : V: Thence south 10 Degrees Westerly Across ye lot

The Whole of this  $2^{nd}$  Latt of Ceder Swomp Recorded, in the proprietors Book page 261

[158.] The 30 Acres of Land granted To Eleazer Morton ye 9th Febuary 1701 was laid out In Two fifteen Acre Lotts By and Near Cookes Pond ve 18th May 1702 and Bounded as followeth (viz) ye first 15 Acres with a White oak Tree on ye West side of Cooks Pond marked on 4 sides and from Thence To Run Northwest and Be North 40 Pole To a Red oak Tree marked on 4 sides and from Thence To Extend southwest and Be south 48 Pole To a stake sett in ye ground and from Thence To Run South East and Be East Near 80 Rod Till it Comes To ye Bounds first mentioned The other 15 acres was laid out Between ye Way That Goeth To Cooks Pond aforesd and the Land of Samuell Harlow and John Rider on ye North side it Heads upon the Land that was Laid out To Baruck Jurdens Children and at the West End it Extends from John Riders Southwest Corner Bound By ve Seader Hole To Extend Southerly To a Read oak Tree marked on 4 sides standing By ye Path: all the Common Land Included In the fore mentioned Bounds

James Warren,
Nalh<sup>1</sup> Morton
William Shurtleff
Committee

### [160.]

The Mile and half of Comons Laid out and bounded

The land Granted to ye Town for a comon from John Cobbs to Joseph Churchels southwest from the bay A mile and half up into ye woods Was laid out and bounded as ffolloweth (viz) the Eleaventh of Aprill 1702 With a Red oak Sapling marked and a heape of stons About it on a hill above John Cobbs land which was half a mile from ye bay southwest and to Extend southwest by marked Rainges till it comes to a pine tree marked on: 4: sides on a plaine Eastward of Tryangle pond and from thence to Extend South East by marked Rainges allong by the ffoot of Sparows hill and soe over a llittle pond to ye Northward of Daniels

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For a description of the mile and a half see foot note on page 296 of the 1st volume.

Neck<sup>1</sup> and soe over ye mouth of ffresh lake to lout pond to a Redoake marked and soe over ye Southerly End of lout pond to a pine tree marked and soe to a white oake marked on: 4: sids Towards Dunhams Meadow soe called which was ye southerly corner bounds and from thence to Extend northeast by marked Rainges till it Comes to ye bay by Joseph Churchels a mile and half from ye southwest corner bounds

Nathaniel Morton
James Warren

} surveyors

Benoney
Shaws 2 acres
of meadow

Two Acres of Meadow was laid out to benoney Shaw at the new meadows in the Township of plimton ye 29 of January 1712 in the Right of Thomas pope formerly of plimouth which was Granted to him ye 27th of December 1665 by the Town of plimouth aforsd and bounded as followeth from a Grat Dry pine tree marked on the northwest side of the meadows it Extends neere southeast and by south 37 pole to a pine tree marked in the Rainge of a stake stuck in ye meadow against the stacking place and from the stake to Run neere southwest and by west by ye upland neere: 10: pole to an other stake sett in meadow and from thence Northwest and by North 37 pole to a stake in ye meadow and from thence neere Northeast by East neere ten pole to the pine tree first mentioned

William Shurtlef surveior

Robert
Ransoms
3 acres of
Meadow

Three Acres of meadow was laid out to Robert Ransom in the new meadows in the Township of plimton the 29 of January 1712 in the Right of Jonathan Morey formerly of plimouth Deceased which was granted to him on the 27 of Desember 1665 by the town of plimouth and is bounded as ffolloweth (viz) with a stake stuck in the meadow on the North East corner which was the Corner of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Daniels Neck is the neck of land between Great and Little Billington and took its name from Daniel Dunham, who owned land there at a very early date.

the 2 acres laid out to benoney Shaw in Thomas popes Right and from sd stake neere southwest and by west 16 pole to a dry pine tree marked and then nee South East and by South 37 pole to a pine tree marked on ye southeast side of the meadows and from sd tree Northeast 16 pole to a stake stuck in the meadow which was the corner bounds of the Two acres laid out to benoney Shaw aforsd and then Northwest and by North to ye stake first mentioned

William Shurtlef surveior

Benj<sup>n</sup> Souls 30 acre Lott

The 30 acres of Land Granted To Benjamin Soule at ye Town meeting Held at Plymouth ye 9th Febry 1703 was Laved out near or adjoyning To Winatucket meadow ye 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1702 and Bounded as ffolloweth (viz) at a heap of stones on ye East Corner which was ye Corner Bound of the said Souls Land he bought of Mr Joseph Howland and from Thence To Extend southwest and be south To a Great white oake Tree marked on 4 sides which was ye Northeast Corner Bounds of ye said Soules meadow and from Thence To Extend North Northwest along by ye meadow 52 Rods To A swomp white oake marked on 4 sides standing by ye meadow and from thence To Extend Northeast and be north about (80) rood Till it Comes To ye land The sd Soule Bought of ye aforesd Howland To a Red oake Tree and then Bounded by that Land Easterly Till it come To ye Bound first mentioned

James Warren
William Shurtleff
Samuel Sturtevant

[161.] Know all men by these presents That wheras we John Bradford James Warren and William Shurtlef being Chosen Agents for the Town of plimouth and we Isaac Winslow Joseph Vaughan and Jacob Tomson being chosen for the propriators of the purchase Comonly Caled the South purchase belonging to the Inhabitants and propriators of Middlebery in order to ye settlement of the controversey yt hath lately arisen by Reason yt part

of ye ad south purchase falls to be within the Township of plimouth wherefore we doe by these presents mutually agree yt the deviding line between the said south purchase and the land belonging to the propriators of the Town of plimouth shall be as ffolloweth namely from the Rockey poynt at the lower end of the body of meadow below the double brook the line to Extend Eight poole in breadth from the westerly side of the meadow untill it Cometh up to the place where the line between ye town of plimouth and the Town of Middlebery crosseth the Rockey meadow brooke and from thence by sd Town line untill it Come to the northwest corner of benoney Shaws forty acree lott and from thence by sd Shawslot unto the brook Called ye beaver dam brook and from thence by sd brok up stream unto A stooping cedar tree marked at or neere the head of sd brook and from thence Rainging northeast thre quarters of a point Easterly sixty three poole to two small cedars marked at ye westerly corner of the pond caled the beavour dam pond and from thence East North East a quarter of a point Easterly Cross the pond to a maple tree marked by the North East side of the pond and from thence northeast 85 pole to a maple tree marked standing in the side of a swompe and from sd maple tree Rainging northwest unto a stake with stones about it standing in the Rainge of the purchas Caled Shaws purchas and from thence bounded by Shaws purchase unto Mahucket brook at the old Indian path which is the bounds of the aforsaid South purchase and from thence by sd Indian path unto the Town line betwen plimouth and Middlebery And that all the land both upland meadows and swompes lying Easterly and Southerly from the aforsd dividing line hom to the South meadow river shall belong to the propriators of the Town of plimouth or to such persons their heirs or assignes unto whome sd Town hath disposed the same and that all the land both upland meadow land and swompe land lying by Westerly and Northerly from the foresd dividing line home to Middlebery Town line shall belong to the propriators of the forsd south purchase Now the aforsd dividing line thus Run and the boundaryes thus settled we do mutualy agree shall stand and remane for Ever as a full settlement betwen the propriaty of the town of plimouth and the propriatory of the aforsd South purchass In witnes whereof we the aforsd Agents have Jeyntly and severaly set to our handsand afixed our seals on the Twentyeth day of September 1704

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us Thos ffaunce William Harlow

for plimouth John Bradford
James Warren
William Shurtlif
for the
South purchase Joseph Vaghan
Jacob Tomson
O

The 20 th day of September 1704 personaly appered before me the subscriber one of her ma ties Justices of the peece for the County of plimouth sd John Bradford James Warren and William Shurtliff and Joseph Vaughan and Jacob Tomson and did acknoledg the above written Instrument to be Their act and deed Joseph Otis

[162.] Be it Knowne to all men by these presents That whereas John Carver William Bradford Edward Winslow William Brouister and sundreay others their assists naturall subjects of our late sovereign Lord James the first by the Grace of God King of England Scotland Ets did by the favour of the almighty erect the first English Colony in this Contenant Called New England and begun in yeare of our Lord 1620 The first English Towne at A place called by the natives Apaum alies patuxet but by the English plimouth unto whome Massasoiet the prince or Cheefe sachim of those parts gave all the lands adjacent thereunto: and obtained of his sd matte sunderey Comission Confirmed by his Honorable Councell for New England unto them for the ordering their affares under his Gracious protection and for theire further Enlargement as to lands and priviledges they obteined letters pattents1 deriverary from our late sovereig lord King Charles ye first bearing date the 13th of January 1629 under the name of the aforesd William Bradford and his associates signed by the Right Honorabl Robert Earle of Warrwick and with allowanc by vertue thereof to frame and make orders ordenances and constetutions for the well ordering disposing and governing of their persons and the distributing the lands within the sd limits as pr the sd letters pattents doth and may more at large appeare To Be Holden of his Matte his heires

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This patent is deposited in the Registry of Deeds at Plymouth.

and successors as of his maner of East Grenwitch in the County of Kent in free and comon soccage and not in Capitie nor by Knights service unto the said William Bradford his heires associates and assignes for Ever yeilding and paying to our said soveraign Lord the King his heires and successors for Ever one fifte part of the oare of the mines of gold and silver and one other fifth part to the president and Council which shall be had possesed and obteigned within the precincts aforesd for all services and demands whatsoever whereby maney others being incoraged to Come unto them they through divine ffavour and the gracious incoragement and protection of their prince ffrom time to time after many difficulties and Hardships grew up to further maturity granting severall Tracts of lands to others to errect severall Townships with the liberties and priviledges thereof Reserveing like priviledg and liberties to themselves and the first and most ancient Township of new plimouth with such lands thereunto belonging as are Contayned within the limmits and boundereys hereafter mentioned set fourth ordered and concluded by the Court of assistants Held at plimouth the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November 1640 the said William Bradford Governor according to an act of the General Cort held there on the 3d of March then last past. Authorizing them the said William Bradford and his assistants thereunto and are as ffolloweth (viz)

That the bounds of Plimouth Towneship shall Extend Southward to the bounds of Sandwich Townshipp and Northward to a little brook Running from Stephen Tracyes to an other little brook ffalling into black water from the Comons left to duxbery and the neighbours thereaboute and Westward 8 miles up into the lands from any part of the bay or sea alwayes provided that ye bounds shall Extend soe farr up into the wood lands as to Include the south meadowes towards Agawame lately discovered and the convenient uplands thereabouts the premises being made apeare in Records of Court unto the Court of assistants now held at plimouth the 27th of October 1685 the said Court of assistants by vertue of an act and order made by the Generall Court held at plimouth aforesd the 4th of June last past impowering them thereunto doe therefore declare Ratify and confirm all the aforesd lands both uplands Swompe lands meadow marsh and fleete lands with all waters Rivers harbours creeks Coves fishings mines proffitts priviledges and appurtenances whatsoever to all and singular the premses belonging or in any wise appartaining lying and being within the said bounds and limits of the aforesd townshipp of plimouth unto the sd towne and to the severall proprietors thereof according to theire and each one of their Comon and perticular Respective interest Right title or property unto the said lands or other the premises or to aney part or parcell thereof by Grant or allowance of said Towne or by the Corte or by aney other lawful wayes or means whatsoever had or obtained or to be had and obtained and to theire and to Each one of theire heires successors and assignes for Ever

[163.] To have and to hold to the said towne of plimouth and to the severall proprietors whatsoever Respectively and to theire and Each of their successors and assignes forever according to theire and each of theire Right title and Interest Respectively therein or thereunto as aforesd to be holden as of his Maties according to the tirme of our letters patent above mentoned in testimoney where of the said Court doth allow the Common seale of this Government to be hereunto afixed Now therfore further know ye That I Thomas Hinckley Governor of this his Matus Coloney of New plimouth for our soverain Lord the King by vertue of the power Comitted to me as well by a former act and order made by sd William Bradford and his associates assembled in Court Anno Domini 1636 as by the bove mentioned act for the more full assurance and confirmation of all the sd lands and other the premises herein mentioned to be confirmed unto the said Towne of Plimouth and the severall propriators thereof theire and Each of theire heires successors and assignes for ever in maner and forme aforesd according to the true meaning and Intent of these presents have hereunto affixed the comon seale of ther governent ult die october Anno domin one thousand six hundred Eighty and five and in the first veare of the Raign of our sovereign Lord King James the second of England Scotland Etc.

Thomas Hinckley Gov

1620

[164.] Know all men by these presents That we whose names are herunto subscribed being proprietors and owners of A Certaine Tract of land lying within the Township of plimouth at a

place comonly called and known by the name of the shingle brook swomp we have by mutuall Agrement Divided the sd land into two parts as Equal as we Judg we Com and have agreed on A Dividing line which is as ffolloweth (viz) Begining at a beach tree marked on: 4: sids: 68: pole or thereabouts to Red and from thence to extend across the swompe south a little westerly

Town meeting March first 1716

At A Town meeting held at plimouth March first 1716 for ye choyce of Town officers for ye yeare Ensuing Which are ffollowing The Town Clerk Chosen is Thomas ffaunce The Town voated To Chouse but three select for ye following yeare Which Capt John Dyer Ensign Benjamin Warren and Abial Shurtlef and voated That ye sd select men should be ye assessors to make all the assesments in sd Town for ye yeare Ensuing The Cunstables Chosen are Charles Little and Thomas Clarke ye son of William Clark but Charles Little agreed With Joshua Bramhall To serve ye Towne in his Rome and had ye Towns approbation Therin and was sworn by Mer Thomas in open Town Meeting, Mer John Watson Chosen Town The Tithingmen Chosen is Ignatios Cushing Elisha Bradford Josiah Morton and Stephen Churchell The Grand Inquest for year Ensuing Joseph Silvester Robert Cushman and Ephraim Kempton and soe ye Town meeting was adjorned until ve 5th of March following and Then mett and voted To add to Mer Littles sallery Twenty pound upon Condition yt ye sd Mer Little Will Engadge not to Imploy aney person or persons To cutt aney Wood of ye personage lot of Wood land above ye Town for ye space of Ten yeares from ye Dat above mentioned and Chose Major bradford and Deacon foster To Take bonds of sd Mer Little To Refraine cuting wood as abovesd on sd lot and made Choyce of Mer Lathrop and Ebenazar Dunham To have ye Enspection of sd personage lot and as ye Town agents or Trustees and Doe hereby Invest their sd agents

with full power To prosecut any person or persons That shall make any Trespas on sd lot At sd meeting it was voated To allow The Widow Ozborn 1 14 pound out of The Towns stock in The Town Treasurors hands To pay The Doctor for Cure and voated yt ye sd Treasuror Take a morgadge of the sd widow of her house and land in the Towns behalf for The payment of sd 14 pound Within Two years after This Date unto the Town Treasuror for the Towns use ing The Town Agreed with Major John Bradford To Take the Care and Keepe in good Repare all high waves Through out The Township of plimouth and To save ye sd Town harmles from all Trouble That may arise through the Defect of aney of ye high ways in sd plimouth Township bredges that are to be made and maintained in some other Method only Excepted for ye space of sevn years Commencing from ye Day of ye Date above sd for Twelve pence a man to be Raised by Rate upon ve Inhabitance of sd Town of plimouth That is To say upon all ye Inhabitants of sd Town That are obledg by law to Work at ve high ways and is To be paid to sd Major Bradford his heires or assignes yearly and Every year During ye sd Terme of seaven years above mentioned

[165.] To All people to Whome this present writing shall come William Bradford of New plimouth in his maties most antient Colony of New plimouth in this his terretory & dominion of New England in America Esquire son and next heire of William Bradford Esquire late of plimouth aforesd deceased sendeth Greeting & Wheras the sd late William Bradford my Honowred ffather was invested by vertue of A grant by letters pattent from the Honble Councell Established at plimouth in the County of devon for the planting Ruling ordering & governing of New England in America derivatory from our late soveraigne King James the first in all that part of New England Tract & tracts of land Which lye

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathrm{Widow}$  Ozment is probably here intended, who owned a house on the northerly side of North street

within and between ye limits and bounds in said letters patent exspresed to be granted given and Confermed unto the sd William Bradford his heires Asosiats and assignes for Ever and all lands Rivers Waters havens Creeks parts fishings and all hereditaments profits and Comodities scituate lying being or Arising within or between Aney the sd limits and bounds with all Rights Royaltyes priviledges ffranchises & as in sd letters patent Ratified under the Comon seale of sd Councell & signed by the Right Honble Robert Earle of Warwick then president of sd Councell bearing date ye thirtenth daye of January in the fifth year of the reigne of our late sovereigne Lord King Charles the first & anove dom: 1629 doth and may Apear wherin Amongst other favours is also exprest the sd Counsels Grant respect in sd grants that after soe long Travell and grate paines soe hopefull A plantation may not only subsist but also that they may be Incoradged the better to proceed in so pious a worke which may especialy tend to the propagation of Relidgion and which was also the Choise and Known end of theire first adventures at theire own proper Cost through so many foreseen & often felt dificulties losses and pinching distresses unto this then wast howling desert and was accordingly attended through the pious care of William Bradford with the advice & consent of such as he tooke to him to be his assistants in Court or Counsell in Granting such Competent Tracts of lands to Each Township as the Inhabitants thereof might not only be accomodated for theire own subsistance but also be Comfortably enabled to give due encouragment and maintenance to such Godly able Minister or preacher of the Word of god as was or should be obtained amongst them and was so declared by them in open Court for more than thirty years past and then entered as the Reason of that law why the Whole Inhabitants or people of the place or Town should pay theire proportion towards the support of such minister And wheras the sd William Bradford my father his grants surrenders or conveyance of any part of sd lands and other the premises to his declared associates or assigns and also his or their grants to perticular persons or townships and amongst others to the Township alias the Inhabitants of the Town of plimouth aforsd who have for more than sixty & seaven years had the seisen and posesion of the land and other privilidges granted to ym as aforesd may be by some now questioned whether the sd Grants be so sufficient and firme in law to all intents as is to be desired for Want of observeing some niceties and formaleties in the law in the time of their new beginnings. Now for the more sure making therof According to the grant and promis of my sd father for him and his heires Know Yee therefore that I the said William Bradford sen & heirs Aforesd as well for performance of the trew intent and meaning of the sd William Bradford my father in and by the sd grants and for the sd ends above mentioned for divers good causes and considerations me att this time especially moveing Have Granted surrendered Revised Released and for Ever quitt claymed and by these presents for me and my heires due grant surrender remise and for ever quit clame unto Ephraim Morton gent: Joseph Warren Joseph Howland Joseph Bartlet Nathaniel Southworth John Bradford and Isaac Cushman yoomen of the town of plimouth aforesd and to all other gentlemen yeoman Tradesmen or planters who are the allowed Inhabitants of sd Town of plimouth whose names are entered on Record to be inhabitants in the Town book of sd plimouth and by there own desire shall be specified by name in the sceddal or list of names herunto annexed & freely willing to pay theire personal proportion of the Comon charges or shal otherwise be allowed by me ve sd William Bradford Aforesd

[166.] In every of their full and peaceable possession and seisen according to their & each one of their Comon or severall and Respective Interest in Whatsoever shal be herafter in these presents mentioned to be Released and to their and every of their heires & assignes for ever All such Right estate title Interest posesion and demands whatsoever which I the sd William Bradford ever had now have or ought to have of in or to all and singular the messuages lands tenements grounds soyles Rivers waters havens Creekes fishings hereditaments Royalties mineralties profits privilidges and Imunitees whoever scituate lying arising hapining or Accrewing or which shall arise happen or accrew in or within the limits and bounds granted to ye said township as followeth That is to say Begining towards the East of the picked Cliffe near sandwich and thence Runing Westerly and Northerly along the sea shore to sd plimouth harbours mouth and thence Extending Northerly and Easterly till it takes in the Gurnet Saguaquash and Clarkes Island within the sd bounds according to former grant and thence Westerly to the mouth of Jones River & and soe up that

River to the mouth of Stoney brooke and up that brooke to the mouth of the Creeke which leads to the Tussocks and thence up the River to the Westerly head thereof and thence Northerly to an heape of stones by the old bays path near a small brooke which Runs into black water and from sd heape of stones West eight miles or more into the A course thence Southeasterly will include all the south fresh meadows and thence by A straight line to a pine tree marked standing neere a little Run or Runelett yssuing into Agawam River and soe along the sd River and salt water Coming from the south sea untill it Come to ye Red Alias Gravely brooke neere Waguanchett and thence by the dividing line between sd towne of plimouth and sandwich unto the aforesd Cleffe and sea adjoyning (except alwayes Reserved out of this my present Grant surrender and Release all such Messuages lands and heriditaments with theire appurtenances as I am personally possesed of And are and have been for maney yeares past under the more Imediate Improvement or occupation of me or my assignes And used to be taken and accounted to be my pertiglar and severall property only also except my Comon Right equal with any other the Inhabitants of sd towne of plimouth in and to all such Comon and undevided lands and other Comon previlidges and proffits as are or shall be Incedent or belonging thereunto Together with all and every such proportion parcel or parcels of land priviledges and Hereditements in sd township of plimouth which are or may be pretendedly Challenged or possesed by any person or persons present Inhabitants of sd towne who shall not voluntaryly desire their names may be Inserted in the schedule annexed as above sol within two months after the date herof so that is to say that I the said William Bradford nor my herres from henceforth shall or may have or Clayme any estate Right title Interest or demand What of in or unto the sd premises or any of them but therof for ever herafter shall be barred and excluded (except before excepted Know vee ffurther also that I the said William Bradford for the Considerations aforesd have approved and by these presents doe for me and my heires as much as in me lyeth Ratifie and Conferme unto the sd Ephraim Morton Joseph Warren Joseph Howland Joseph Bartlet Nathaniel Southworth John Bradford and Isaac Cushman and to all others the allowed Inhabitants of sd plimouth as aforesd whose names ly thereon desire shall be specified in the schedule or list of names herunto annexed or shal otherwise be allowed by mee as aforesd in theire and every of theire ffull and peaceable possessions and seesin and to their and every of theire Heires and assignes Respectively all and singular the aforesd lands & other premises and every of theire appurten. ances within the bounds and limits of plimouth aforesd except before excepted

[167.] According to their and each of their Comon or perticular severall and Respective Interests therein in any part or parcel therof To Have and to Hold to ye sd Ephraim Morton Joseph Warren Joseph Bartlett Joseph Howland Nathaniel Southworth John Bradford and Isaac Cushman and to all others the allowed Inhabitants of sd plimouth as before declared and expresed and to theire and each and every of their heires and assigns for ever in Maner and forme following. That is to say to hold in Comon al such lands within such bounds and limits as yet lye in Comon & undivided Whether any of them are demised or shall hereafter be demised and to farme letten and the Rents or profits thereof Improved towards the maintenance of the poore of the said Town or any other good use for Comon advantage or benefit or Whether such lands lye in Comon or Wast lands Incident or Appendant to sd Town for Comon ffood for Cattle fire wood timber or such like Comon use Together with such other previledges and Comodities as are incident or belonging to sd town and to hold in severaltie and not Joyntly to each and every one of them at his and their own will & pleasure all such Messuages lands and tenements with their appurtenances as each or any of them are severally possessed of as his or theire own particular property by vertue of Ainy Grant or allowance from ye sd William Bradford my father or from his Associats in Court or from the sd town or Inhabitants therof or obtained by Gift or purchee from any of those to whom any such grant as aforesd hath ben heretofore made To be holden as of his Matte his heires & successors as of his Manner of East Greenwich in free and Comon soccage and not in Capite nor by Knights service (according to the tenor of sd letters pattent yeilding and paying to our soveraigne Lord the King his heires successors for ever one fifth part of the oare of the mines of gold and silver and one other fifth part thereof to the president and Councell Which shall had possesed and Inioyed within the limits Aforesd for all services & demands wtsoever And I the said William Bradford & my heires All and singular the premises with their Appurtenances (except before excepted) to the aforesd Ephraim Morton Joseph Warren and the Rest above named and to all others the Inhabitants of sd plimouth as before described & exprest and to theire and each & every one of theire heires and assignes Respectively Against me the sd William Bradford and my heires Will for ever herafter Warrant and defend by these presents In Witness wherof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale the twenty sixth day of March Anno 1688

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us Witnesses Ichabod Wisewalle John peterson Junior John Sprague

William Brad ord & a seal

This 5th day of June 1690 the abovesd William Bradford Apeared and Acknoledged this Instrument to be his act and deed with his hand and seale to it as above unto the persons above named

Before me John Cushing
Assistant

The above written Instrument is Recorded in the Colonies Booke of Records for deeds and evedences of Lands folio: 106 to 109

per Samuel Sprague Recorder

See Booke dated 1682

[168.] To All people to Whome these presents shall Come or may Concern Joseph Howland, Joseph Bartlett Nathaniel Southworth John Bradford Isaac Cushman George Morton eldest son and Heire of Ephraim Morton Esq deceased and Joseph Warren eldest son and Heire of Joseph Warren deceased All of the Town of plimouth within the County of plimouth in New England sendeth Greeting etc Know yee that whereas by an Instrument bearing date the twenty sixth day of March Anno domini 1688 William Bradford Esq eldest son and next heir of the Honourable William Bradford late Govenor of the Colony of New plimouth deceased for him selfe and his heires did Grant Release and quitt Clame

unto the above named Ephraim Morton and Joseph Warren deceased Joseph howland Josheph Bartlet Nathaniel Southworth John Bradford and Isaac Cushman above named and all others the allowed Inhabitants of the sd town of plimouth whose names should be in schedule annexed to sd Instrument all the William Bradford his patent Right to All the lands Contained within the limmits and bounds of the Township of plimouth aforesd excepting only the personall posessions and perticular alotments and tenements of the said William Pradford ye heir as abovesd also Reserving to himself an equal Right in all Comons and undivided lands in sd township with others the said Inhabitants as by the sd Instrument Given under his hand and seale whereunto these presents is annexed and hath special Refference more perticularly and at large doth & may as per Court Records Appear Wherefore further now Know yee that at a town meeting at plimouth the twelveth day of ffebruary 1693 we the above named Joseph Howland Joseph Bartlet Nathaniel Southworth John Bradford Isaac Cushman George Morton & Joseph Warren sons and heires of the sd Ephraim Morton and Joseph Warren deceased with the free and full consent and allowance of the said William Bradford son and heir as abouesd as also with the full Consent and desire of the sd allowed Inhabitants of sd town doe hereby ffreely declare and acknoledge that all the allowed Inhabitants that were such at the date of the above Recited Instrument with all such as since are orderly admitted Inhabitants of the said Town or that hereafter shall be orderly admitted to Inhabit in the same by the Majorety of said Inhabitants are and shall be equall proprietors with ourselves in all and singular the Common and undivided land of sd town hereby Giveing and Granting to all such Inhabitants full powers with ourselves for the future by voat for the Common and publick Good and beneffit of sd town to dispose of any part of sd Common lands as nesesity may Require or as there may be ocasion alwayes allowing Ratifing and Confirming by these presents all such Grants and Conveighencies of lands as by the Agents or Committee of the sd town since the date of the above Recited Instrument hath ben Granted or sold to any of the Inhabitants of said Town and we do further with the Consent of the sd William Bradford order and allow of the serting the names of all such persons as at the date of sd Instrument were or since have been orderly admitted to Inhabitt sd Town) in this schedule to be annexed to sd Instrument and Record of the same in testimony wherof the sd William Bradford and we the above named persons have herunto sealed and subscribed on the sd 12<sup>th</sup> day of february Anno domini 1693

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of these witnesses Isaac Barker & Abial fuller

William Bradford	0
George Morton	0
John Bradford	
Nathaniel Southworth	0
Isaac Cushman	0
Joseph Howland	0
Joseph Bartlet	0
Joseph Warren	O

[169.] Know all men by these presents That we Ephraim Morton sen John Bradford Isaac Cushman Joseph Howland Nathaniel Southworth & Joseph Bartlet all of plimouth in the County of plimouth in New England for us and our heirs do hereby engage to and with Sergent William Harlow John Gray Jonathan Shaw and Ephraim Morton Jun all of the Towne of plimouth afforesd that whereas they the sd Harlow Gray Shaw and Morton Junior have this day made sale of a Certaine Island in plimouth aforesd Called Clarks Island unto Georg Morton Elknah Watson and Samuel Lucas as per deed under the hands of the above named selers may apear wherefore know you that we the persons first above named the subscribers do hereby bind and firmly oblige ourselves our severall heirs Executors and administrators firmly by these presents to save and keep harmles and Indemnefied the sd sergant William Harlow John Gray Jonathan Shaw and Ephraime Morton Junior and Every of theire severall heirs Executors and Administrators for Concerning and Respecting any future charge trouble or damage that by any may or means may lawfuly Come or accure to them the selers above named for or Concerning the sale above sd or any Claws or article Contained in sd deed: In witness whereof we the persons first above named have hereunto subscribed this  $8^{th}$  day of January  $16^{89}_{90}$  being the day of the date of the deed aforesd.

In presents of us witnesses Samuell Sprague Thomas ffaunce Ephraime Morton
John Bradford
Isaac Cushman
Joseph howland
Nathaniel Southworth
Joseph Bartlet

Memorandon That on ye 24th of May 1716 Their The Rainge and bounds betwen us Jonathan Morey and Samson Wopnock was agreed on Which is as ffolows (vis) begining at a stake and stones by ye banck on ye Topp of a hill Called Chomuttack from Theire wee agree yt ye line betwen us shall Run Northerly one Degree North To a White oake Tree marked on two sides & Then from ye White oake on a straite line to ye heape of stones Thence a straight line to Moreys head bounds This wee agree shall be and Remain a full settlement of the bounds betwen us for Ever as Witness our hands The Day and yeare above Written

Witnes In presence of Benjamin Warren Abiall Shurtliff Jonathan Morey
The Marke (-) of Samson
Wopnot

## [170.] Rochester September the 26<sup>th</sup> 1695

Memorandon That the agents of plimouth Midlebery & Rochester being Impowered by their aforesd Townships did meete at Mer Isaac Howlands house in Midlebery on the 23<sup>d</sup> Instant and on the 24<sup>th</sup> of sd month by mutuall consent all went to the head south bounds of sd towne being 6 miles from the ware & soe found being measured by Capt. Nathaniel Thomas of Marshfeild Agent for pochasset and accompanied with Midlebery Agents from which south or head bounds all the agents of the 3 townes abovesd mutually agred to Run the east line as begun by Capt Nathaniel Thomas &c and proceed east by divers stations tell the come on ye 25<sup>th</sup> Instant neere the south meadow River where they marked a small pine tree on 4 sides for a boundary between the 3 townes abovesd Two bigger pines on each side thereof and both marked with M P R whence the line Runs between plimouth and Midlebery about one Rodd on the Eastern side of William Ellis his new

house: n: 6: m: on the 26th Instant begining againe at the corner Bounding M: P: R whence the line Runs between plimouth and Midlebery: No: b: M to two Red oaks both Marked and the one M: P: Whence tho not on the same yet in a strait line up to the bridg on south meadow River in the Road from Rochester to plimouth and from sd bridg the River to be the bounds up stream unto the lower part of the body of meadow there below the duble brooks & thence on the westerly side of sd meadow with Convenience of upland for fencing to the place where plimouth Towne line shall come from Mohuttch tree to the Meadow

The above sd Agrement is on the day above written owned and Confirmed by us under written

Agents for plimouth John Bradford
John Waterman
John Mordo
Agents for Midlebery John Soule
Isaac Howland
Jacob Tomson in
behalf of his father
Agents for Rochester Ichabod Wisewall
Joseph dotey
Araon Barlow

[171.] Know All Men by these presents that whereas Wee Israell Chittingdon Josiah Edson and William Bassett Haveing ben Nominated and Chosen by Capt Jams Warren Insigne John Watterman and Mer William Shertlef agents of the Town of plimouth of the one party and Livet Jacob Tomson Mer John Sole and Mer Joseph Vaughan agents for the Town of Midlebörough of The other party as a Committy to Run the Line for and settle the bounds and dividing Line Between the sd Towne of plimouth & Midleborough part of The way Betwen sd Towns as per bonds Enterchangable given between ye sd partyes Datted the 14th Instant may more ffully apeare Wee the sd Committy have therefore Run the sd Line fixed and settled the sd bounds as ffolloweth that Is to say begining att a a great White oake tree marked on 4 sides standing Nere the place Called Mahutchett on the southerly side of an old path by a swamp & thence Running south a Little East-

erly by marked Rainge trees unto a great swamp pine or spruce tree Marked on 4 sides standing by the Edg of a peice of fresh meadow neare the beaver Dam brooke and from ye spruce tree Runing Westerly on a streight Line to the mouth of the brook Called springie brook Where It Runs into Rockey meadow brooke and from thence unto a Marked Maple tree standing on ye Westerly side of sd Rockey Meadow brooke and from thence unto a Marked Maple tree standing on ye Westerly side of sd Rockey Meadow brooke and thence on a streight Line to a pine tree Marked on four sides standing a Little above the sd Maple tree and thence By Marked Rang trees on the Westerly side of the Meadow Down to a Marked pine tree standing on the West side of the Cart path neere the Great body of Meadow and then Runing partly by the Cart path on the Westerly side of Itt & partly by Marked trees untill It Come to a pine tree standing above a Rockey poynt Runing down into the Meadow Being Marked on 4 sides and Thence Runing nere East Northeast down to a great pine tree Marked on 4 sides standing on the sd point and soe on the same streight Line Down to ye River Haveing had Due Regard to Include the meadows formerly Granted to sd Town of plimouth With Conveniences of upland for fenceing sd Meadow acording to Court grant In Wittness Whereof wee have hereunto sett oure hands this 15th day of May 1700

> Israell Chittenden Josiah Edson William Basseett

[172.] Know all men by these presents that We whose names are hereunto subscribed being all of us owners & properietors of A Certain Tract of land lying within ye Township of Plimouth at a place Comonly caled & Known by ye name of the shingle brook swampe we have by mutuall agreement Devided sd land into two parts & have agreed on A Dividing line which is as ffolloweth begining at a heape of stones by the highway to ye southwestward of the shingle brook & from thence to Extend to A beeach tree marked on: 4: sids & from thence to Extend across the swompe seuth a little westerly: 68: pole or therabouts to a Red oake tree marked on: 4: sids with stones about it upon a hill a little to the Eastward of a frame of a Dweling house lately sett up by John ffaunce and we have mutualy agrd that all the land lying within

ye boundareys of the land above mentioned in partnership to the Westward and Northward of the Dividing line shall be long & appertaine to Ephraim Morton senior and to his heires and assgns for ever with all the Rights and previledges thereunto belonging within the Known boundareys therof he being the proper owner of the one half of sd Tract of land & benjamin Warren and Thomas ffaunce being Eqully Interested in the other half of sd tract of land we Doe herby mutualy agree yt the sd benjamin Warren and Thomas ffaunce shall have all the lands lying within the bounderys of sol tract of land that is to the southward & Eastward of the Dividing line above mentioned to belong to them and their heires & assignes for ever Thomas ffaunce Reserving A Right and previledg to Dig for water & to have free Egres and Regres thereto through gats or bars for himself and his heires and assignes forever into that part belonging to Ephraim Morton lying to ye westward and northward of the Dividing line Now the aforesd Division thus made we Doe by these presents Mutualy agree shall stand & Remaine a full settlement between us our heires and assignes for ever In Witness wherof we have hereunto set our hands and seals on the 14 Day of July 1708

Signed sealed & Declared to be our Mutuall agreemen before us Witneses
Samuel Drew

Joseph Morton

Ephraim Morton O

Thomas ffaunce O Benjamin Warren O

Know all men by these presents that we Thomas ffaunce & benjamin Warren both of plimouth have an equal Right in a Certain Tract of land lying at a place Comonly Caled & Known by the name of the shingle brook swompe Did on the 14 Day of July meete on sd spott of land and agred to Divid it as ffolloweth (viz) begining at a Red oake tree mentioned in the Dividing line & from sd tree Rainging 30 pole into ye swompe by sd Dividing line to a maple tree marked on: 4: sids & from thence East a little Northerly to a Red oak tree marked on: 4: sids standing neere the Raing of the land of Ebenasar holmes & from thence hom to the sd holmes his Rainge and soe up along sd holmes his Rainge to an other Red oak tree marked on: 4: sids & a heape of stones about it & from thence on a straite line to ye Red oake first mentioned This part of sd land in partnership exprest and sett out by

these bounds Above Expresed we agree shall belong to Thomas ffaunce and hic heires for ever And from sd maple tree first mentioned Rainging North a little Easterly about : 36:: pole to a beach tree marked on 4 sids standing in the corner of the dividing line & from thence 40 Rod to a white oake tree marked on : 4: sids standing neere the corner bounds of the land belonging to the heires of Joseph Warren & from thence Rainging Easterly to a beach tree marked on: 4: sids and a heape of stones about it nere ye Raing of the land of Ebenasar holmes and soe up along sd Rainge about 42 pole to a Red oak tree mark which is the corner bound between ffaunce & said Warren & from thence west a little southerly to the maple tree first mentioned & soe hom to ye Dividing line the part of sd land in partnership as it is now Described by ye severall boundereys thereof we agree shall belong to Benjamin Warren & to his heires & assignes for ever Now the aforesd Division thus made we Doe by these presents Mutually agree sEall be and Remaine to be a full settlement of the Division of the in partnership betwen us and our heires and assignes for Ever In Witnes Wherof we have herunto sett our hands and on the 14th Day of July 1708

signed sealed and Declared to be our Joynt agreemen in presence of

Thomas ffaunce O Benjawin Warren O

Samuel Drew Joseph Morton

## [173.] Rochester September ye 26<sup>th</sup> 1695

Memorandom That the Agents of plimouth Midlebery & Rochester haveing unanimosly seen and determined the East line betwene the Towns of Midlebery and Rochester and Marked the East Boundarey of Midlebery and corner betwen all 3 townes with MPR and biger pine trees on each side a small pine being betwen it is Accorded & declared betwen the agents of plimouth and Rochester yt the bounds betwen plimouth & Rochester begin at the mouth of Agawam River and soe up sd River to a small Run or Rivolett ysuing thereunto by which Run stands A pine tree marked from which pine ye line Runs streight to the Mouth of Samsons brooke where it falls into south Meadow River and soe up the sd River till it Come against A white oake marked PR

standing at the North End of John Bensons field and from sd oake on a Course  $N:W^{\frac{3}{4}}$  of a point Northerly unto a pine Marked on three sides with P R two other pines standing on either side marked and Thence Turning southward along the line Agreed on betwen plimouth and Midlebery untill it Come to the eastermost boundary of Midlebery being a Comon corner boundary between the three sd Townes and marked as in the agreement Appeares & Run dated Sept: 26:1695

The above sd Agrement was made owned and Confirmed by us under written

Agents of plimouth John Bradford
John Waterman
John Mordo
Agents of Rochester Ichabod Wisewalls
Joseph dotey
Araon Barlow

## Rochester June ye 30th 1698

Memorandom of an agreement betwen ye agents of plimouth & ye agents of Rochester haveing Run the line betwen ye towne of plimouth and Rochester As ffolloweth that ye Line Rangeth from the mouth of samson's brook that Comes into south meadow River from thence Ranging S. S. East 2 degres Easterly to a Red oak marked P R from thence Ranging to a pine tree standing by the meadow side and so over the meadow to 2 pine trees standing together Marked P R & so Ranging to 2 other pine trees marked P R & so Ranging over the abovesd River to a pine tree marked P R thence Ranging to other 2 pine trees marked P R standing by Sepecan old path to wawoantick River thence Ranging as we have marked trees some with P R and other trees marked on 2 sides till wee Come to a pine tree old marked & now new marked with P R and standing by the Midle Creeck yt Lieth betwen Wonkenco Rever and agawam Rever

Joseph dotey peter blackmore

John Bradford James Warren Samuell Lucas [174.] At the quarter sesions of the peace at plimouth ye 3<sup>rd</sup> tusday of September 1693

The Court ordered that a Certain Aincient manuscript Called Joshua Prats book now in ye Costody of the Towne Clerk of Plimouth Relating to the laying out & bounding of sundery lands and Meadows within this County That said book after the same is entered or Transemitted in to sd plimouth Townes Book by sd Clerk shall be delivered by him to the Clerk of this County to be kept and preserved by him for the benefitt of such as are therein Concerned and that aney Towne in this County May have the same Recorded in Towne Book if they se cause veria copia as appears of Record August 2<sup>d</sup> 1695

Samuel Sprague Clerk

In pursuance of the order above said here is Recorded several parcels of meadow which are as ffolloweth vis Meadow Grounds determined and disposed of by Mer prince Capt Standish & the Rest appointed thereunto Att the Eale River To Thomas Clarke marked and staked and adjoyning to his own Ground 3 acrees 2 Roodes To sarah Morton adjoyning to his lot one acree staked; To John ffaunce two acrees two Rods Adjoyning to his Ground & half an acree to a Rock upwards towards the bridge; To Widow Warren 4 acrees adjoyning to his Ground at the beach head and adjoyning to the sea To Thomas Little one acre neere his owne Ground at the Eale River and an other persell at the second Monoment poynte To Wiliam Wright and Thomas Southworth against theire own Ground to a bound marke there Eastward one acre two Roods

Aprill ninth 1701 Then we John Bradford & William Shurtlif Too of the select men of the Town of plimouth & James Warren Agent Appinted by the Town of plimouth & We William Basset & daniel allen Too of the selectmen of the town of sandwich being all Mett together to Run the line & sett to the bounds betwen the Town of plimouth & the Town of Sandwich Aforesd Have accordingly Run the line & settled the ¹bounds betwen sd town as ffol
1 The little pond here mentioned, more recently called Gibbs Pond, has been filled up and is now a cranberry meadow, belonging at this date to Hiram Crowell. The monuments on the Plymouth line are at Peaked Cliff, about six rods from the bank; on the easterly side of the Plymouth and Sandwich road; on the east side of Hunter's Brook road; on the easterly side of the Cedarville and Bournedale road; on the westerly side of Herring Pond about three rods from its outlet (a rock); on the southerly side of Sandy Pond road; on the southerly side of the Bourne & Wareham road, on land of Packard, about 1,500 feet from Red Brook bridge, and on the easterly side of said road on land of Theodore Lyman. about twenty rods from Red Brook.

loweth (viz) begining At the pecked Cleft by the sea side and thence Runing southwest A little more Westerly by Marked Raing Trees to a Rock on the Westerly side of the herring pond About two Roods from the mouth of the pond & thence Runing on A straite line to A Marked pine tree standing neere the southerly End of the little pond below the New dweling house of John Gibbs Junior & and thence on A straite line to A Marked pine tree standing by the ffence of the meadow of Benjamin Gibbs or meadow in his occupation or Improvement by the Red brook & soe Runs Rounding as the fence of sd meadow Runs to sd Red Brook & soe is bounded by sd brook unto the bay or salt water as Witnes our hands hereunto sett the day & date Above Ritten

John Bradford William Shurtlef James Warren William Basset daniel allen

[175.] We The subscribers selectmen of the The Town of plimouth being sensible There being ocasion To settle & Renew The bounds betwixt plimouth and Duxborough Wee Doe Therefore authorise and appoint Major John Bradford Capt James Warren Mer Nathaniel Thomas Junior To Run and settle the line betwixt Plimouth and Duxborough and Doe Give them as ffull power to act therein as We our selves have

Plimouth April 2 1714

Benjamin Warren
John Dyer
Abial Shurtlef
John Watson

Selectmen

Wheras Wee John Bradford James Warren & Nathaniel Thomas Appointed Agents by ye selectmen of ye Town of Plimouth And we John Wadsworth John Alden & Thomas Loring selectmen for the Town of Duxborough Being Meet Together To settle The bounds and Deviding line betwixt ye said Towns of Plymouth & Duxborough Have mutually agreed and Determined That the sd Bounds or Deviding line shall for Ever hereafter be as ffolloweth (viz) Begining at a stake and stones on the Beach or high land Neere

the sea Thirty Roods Distant and Northerly from The Middle of the fence that stands on ye most Northerly part of the land now fenced in on ye Gurned soe Caled and thence Due East to ye sea and Westerly To Run on a strait line to a Rock that stands in ye water on ye Northerly End or part of Clarks Island and Thence into Clarks Island Channel Which Comes from powder point and thence Down untill it Meets with the Channel yt Comes Down from Jones River and thence up That Chanel to ye sd River & soe up ye sd River to ye Mouth of stoney brook and soe up sd brook untill it comes to a creke yt leads to ye place Caled The Tussocks and thence up sd brook to the head of it or the head of ye Westerly branch therof and thence Northerly to a marked Tree with stones about it standing on The West side of the old Bay path Where the mile 1 Brook Crosseth sd path which sd brook Runs into black Water and from that Tree Northerly to an other tree marked with stones about it standing on ye West side of the sd old path standing about thirty Rods distant from the other tree and Thence West soe farr Northerly as on a straigh line will Extend to ye mouth of Jonesses River pond Where the brook Issueth out of sd pond Which last mentioned line Devids Betwen plimouth and Duxborough soe farr up as Duxborough Town Extends In Witness That this is our Mutuall agrement and settlement of said Deviding line Wee have heerunto sett our hands this Thirtith Day of Aprill in the thirtenth yeare of his Mats Raign Anno Domini 1714

In presence of John Barker Stephen Clap

Bounds

John Bradford
James Warren
Nathaniel Thomas
John Wadsworth
John Alden
Thomas Loring

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This boundary fixes the route of the Massachusetts Path. The path must have crossed Mile Brook on the Boston road near the old Nathaniel Faunce estate.

[176.]

Plim<sup>th</sup> March 1702

Ways

The Way yt The Selectt Men of The Town Have Laid outt for Lakenham people To Come To Metting Lies Thus from The Metting house att The New Sociatty To a Round Rock with a heap of stones upon Itt Which Is on The South side of ye old Way yt Was formerly Made use of To Cartt hay and sd Way Lyes on The East side of ve Rock as Wide as the Law Directs a Town Way To Bee itt is also free for all persons and att all Times To Make use of: and from sd Rock To The Raing Bettwen The Minesters Lott and a 100 Acres Lott yt Belongs To Benjamin Soule & Adam Rightt and so along yt Raing To a Croked White oake Tree which is The North Corner bounds of Edmund Westons Land: And alsoe ve West or North West Corner bounds of a Lott of Land Which was formerly John Coles Butt Now is Adam Wrights and from sd Crooked Tree along The Raing of sd Wrights and Westons Lots to Westons Est Corner bound mark Tree Which stands by a River side called Winnatuxett River And so over sd River att This place and from Thenc as straight A Way as Can Conveniently be Made passable Through a Lott of Land of Adam Right To a White oak Tree Marked upon sd Land on Low ground and from Thence to A Round Rock Which is upon Henery Rickard's Land and from sd Rock To a heap of stones Which Lyes Before sd Rickards dore and from Thence The Nerest Way upon ye Dryest Ground to the bridg yt Lakenham men Have already Made to Come To Metting and from sd bridg along ve Beatten Way Thatt Now is To ye Kings Rood yt Lies Through-Samuel Stirtevant out Lakenham

Nathaniel Morton Seleckt Men

These are to Give Publick notice unto all persons That there is in my possession a stray mare of about Three Years old Nigh a chesnut Cullor her maine & Taile of a fflaxen Cullor a little Differing from ye Cullor of her Body she is a little sway Backt and is Branded With ye letter H on her left sholder sd mare Was taken up and Brought to my house about ye 28th of August Instant by

John Doty of plimpton and has ben in ye Woods about Thre or foure months and aney person who hath lost and Can lay sufficient Clame to sd Mare is Desired To Repare to my house in plimouth Where sd Mare now is sd Mare has Noe Eare Marks

Dated at plimouth

Ways

Thomas Witherel

August 30th 1717

[177.] The Bounds of ye High Way Which is Laid out To ye Metting house in ye new sociaty bounded att Bridgwater path With a Wallnut Tree and a black oake tree both marked and so To David Bosworths house and from Thence To John Curtisses house and from Thence To Ways Joseph Kings house and from Thence as ye path now Goeth To ye bridge and from The bridge as nere as Is Convenient To David bosworths meadow To a White oak Tree Marked and from Thence To fouer pine Trees Marked Coming Towards ye path some on one side and some on ye other and from sd pine Trees To a popler Tree standing in John Curtises Meadowish Ground and from Thence To Two pine Trees Marked standing nere ve fence in Ebenezar Standishes Land and from Thence Betwen 2 pine trees both marked To a dry pine Tree nere ye stone and from Thence To a swamp whie oak

> John Bradford Sam<sup>11</sup> Stirtevant Seleckt Men

Memorandom Itt is Intended Also yt if aney of ye propriators of ye Lands Through which ye abovesd Way runs have ocation To fence across ye sd Way Thay shall Mak and Mainetaine good and sufficient Gates itt is allso Intended yt the abovesd high way shall be such a Way as yt all persons whatsoever shall have liberty to Improve it by Driveing of Teames & Carts & the like through it & all other ocasions when they shall see Cause

Tree Marked Laid outt by us June 9th 1703

A High Way Laid out by ye Sellectt Men of ye Town of plimouth for ye Neibourhood To Come To Metting att Winnatuxett Through ye Land of Isaac Cushman senor begining att ye Northerly End of ye Land formerly Laid outt To ye Elder Thomas Cushman Deseased att a couple of Sapling Trees one Red oake and one White oake

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standing on ye Westerly side of ye Way Thence Runing along in ye side of ye Land of ye abovsd Isac Cushman To a White oake Tree Marked on 4 sides and Thence to Turn a Little down ye Brooke and so over ye brook below sd Rock and Thence to Run along without side ye fence of ye sd Isaac Cushmans Field and so Through a Little pasture and so straight up ve hill Till It Coms To an old Cartt Way and Thence Running allong ye way To a Little valley and so up ye valey Till you Come To ye burying place & so upon ye Common Land betwen ye Land of benj<sup>n</sup> Soule and ye Land of Isaac Sampson up to ye Metting house and sd way To be a sufishant breadth for Cart and hors and an open Rhoad and in Case aney part of sd way should goe through ye land of Tho Cushman sen ye sd Isaac Cushman To Make him Resonable satesfaction for his dammage so yt ye Town bee nott Charged with Itt.

> John Bradford Sam<sup>11</sup> Stirtevant Selleckt Men

[178.] Know all men by these presents that I John pratt of the Town of plimouth in the province of the Massachussets in New England yeamon Am Holden and firmly bound unto William Shurtlef John Rickard and John Mordo sellect men & in behalf of the Towne of Plimouth aforesd their heirs and assignes In the summ & pennalty of one hundred and forty pounds currant silver Money of New England aforesd unto which payment Well and truly to be made I bind myself my heires Executors and assignes formly by these psts sealled with my seale Datted twentyeth day of May one Thousand six hundred Ninty Eight 1698

The Condition of This Obligation Is such that I the above bound John praatt His heirs Executors or assignes shall & Doe keep his father in Law Charls Cimball whome he has brought into the Towne of plimouth abovesd from being aney wayes a Towne Charge or Chargable unto the said town of plimouth Dureing The terme or Time of his the sd Charles Kimballs life but shall Maintane or Cause to be Mainetained His sd father in Law so yt he

shall Not Come to be a Charge to the Towne of plimouth aforesd Then This obligation to be Void and of None Effect or else to Remaine in full force & vertue

Remaine in full force Signed sealled and delevered in presence of Uss Frances Lebarone

John Holmes

John Pratt O

[179.] Received of the Select Men of the Town of plimouth ffifty & 5 pounds in money being in full wt ye sd town were pleased to Grattifye me withall by their voat At my first settlement Towards building my house I say Received by mee

Ephraim Little

plimouth March 6th 1703

May The 21<sup>th</sup> 1718 Then We The subscribers ye Select of The Town of plimouth and Sandwich being mett Together on That ocasion have now Marked and Renewed the Bounds formerly sett & agreed upon acording to ye Within Mentioned Record as Witness our hands hereunto sett

Se in the 153<sup>d</sup> pag ye agreemnt on 174 John Bradford
Benjamin Warren
Abial Shurtlef
John ffoster
Israel Tupper
Jno Chipman
Eliakim Tupper

Know all men by These presents That Wheras by ye laws of this provence The bounds betwen Town and Town are to be Renewed once in three years and Wee Whose names are herunto subscribed being select men of plimouth & plimton have Renewed the Bounds betwen sd Towns Which are as ffolows (viz) Begining at Two pine Trees Marked P L standing neere together in a peece of swompy Ground about five pole North of a broad spring hole at the head of Wankagah River and from sd Trees We find the corse to be North Twenty foor Degrees Westerly about five miles and a

Plymou & Plimton renew the

bounds

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half & fifty pole To a Black oake Tree Markt P L standing by ye southerly side of the southermost Road from plimouth to Middlebery And ffrom Thence the line Extends North seaven Degres Westerly four miles to a black oake Markt P L standing on ye south side of ye Road from plimouth to bridgwater and from thence North Twenty Two Degrees Westerly a mile and a half and sixty two pole to ye place Where the River Runs out of Jons River pond in the ancient line betwixt plimouth and Duxbury Now the aforsd or abovesd bounds being Thus Renewed We the subscribers in the behalf of the sd Towns Doe mutualy agree That they shall be and Remaine The perpetuall Bounds between sd Towns and That When Ever sd trees shall be Down There shall be heaps of stones made in the places Where they stand In Witnes Wherof We have herunto sett our hands the 22 Day of June one Thousand seaven hundred and Twenty

John Bradford Benjamin Warren John Dyer Abiall Shurtlef	Selectmen of plimouth
Benoney Lucas David Bozworth Isaac Cushman	Selectmen of plimton

[180.] Know all men by these presents that I Joseph Bartlet of plimouth in the Colony of plimouth in New England for and in consideration of A certain youth Named Nedd and three pounds in money Received and alredy paid unto me by Ephraim Morton Jun of plimouth aforesd as is hereby acknowledged and myself therewith fully sattisfyed Have Exchanged Granted made over & assigned unto the said Ephraim Morton and his heires Executors Administrators and assignes A Certain Negroe youth being A perpetuall slave whose name is Toney To have and to hold the said Negroe servant from the day of the date hereof unto him the said Ephraim Morton his heires Executors Administrators and assignes for Ever hereby Avouching my self at the time of the said Exchainge to be the very true and proper owner of sd Negroe and

Warranteth to maintaine the Exchainge Abovesd In testemony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seale on the Twentith day of february Anno domini one thousand six hundred Eighty and seaven  $168 \frac{7}{6}$ 

Signed sealed and

Joseph Bartlet O

delivered in the

presence of

**Rowland Cotton** 

Eliazar Cushman

Nathaniel Morton

Plimouth To Samuel Stirtevant Constable of plimouth Greeting you are in her Maties Name hereby Required on sight hereof to give Notice & Warne William hunter & his famely now Resident in our sd Town & likly in time to be Chargeable to sd Town that he forthwith Depart sd Town hereof you may not faile Given under our hands at plimouth this 13<sup>th</sup> Day of August in ye 5<sup>th</sup> yeare her Maties Reign Anno Dominy 1706

 $\left.\begin{array}{c} \text{Caleb Loring} \\ \text{John Watson} \end{array}\right\} \left.\begin{array}{c} \text{Selectmen} \\ \text{of} \\ \text{plimouth} \end{array}\right.$ 

On September 3<sup>d</sup> 1706 I went to the place of ye Residence of William hunter and his famely and I Warned them to Depart our Town

Samuel Stirtevant Constabl

plimouth ffebruary 16<sup>th</sup> 170<sup>T5</sup> Then laid out by us The subscribers Town Wayes (viz) as ffolloweth A street Called first streete begining att a stone sett into ye Ground att ye Corner of Ephraim Coles smiths shop from Thence To Rainge East: 21: Degrees Northerly To John Rickards Corner bounds at The brow of The hill & from Thence To a stone att ye foot of the hill on the same Rainge The sd street is: 40: ffoots in Weadth att The bounds first mentioned and to carrey its Width till it Coms to The Northerly Corner of Capt Dyers house There being a stone sett into ye Ground & from Thence To Rainge East Two Degrees Northerly To a stone sett into the Ground att The foot of The hill a little above Ephraim Kempton's house being The West-

Town Ways

First street laid out

erly corner bounds of the Way That leads over ye Brook and from Thence Northeast: 16: Degrees Easterly: 40: foots to A stone sett into The Ground a little above John Rickards uper Waree house and from Thence To Extend Northeast : 6: Degrees Northerly one hundred and Three foots To a stone sett into ye Ground being 16 Degrees Southeasterly 30 foots from a stone sett into ye Ground at ye foot of the hill Neere or upon The Southerly Corner of John Wards land on ye Westerly side of The Way That leads To ye New street Thence from sd stone To Extend Northeast 5 Degrees Northerly 29 foots To an other stone sett in ye Ground in John Wards land & from Thence To Extend North 20 Degrees Easterly To a stone sett into ye Ground att ye North East Corner of Mr John Watsons Coopers shop and from Thence to Extend North 7 Degrees Easterly To A stone and poast sett into the Ground above Thomas Dotyes Coopers shop and from Thence To Extend North: 21: Degrees Westerly to a stone

[181.]

New street bounds

and poast sett in ye Ground above Thomas Dotens Coopers shop and from Thence To Extend North 21 Degrees Westerly to a stone and stake sett into ye Ground Within The Easterly Corner bound of New street sd stake & stones being West a Eleven Degrees Northerly 36 foots from The Northerly part of A Grat Rock yt lyeth below ye Way The sd Way from ye stone att ye foot of The hill Neere the Southerly Corner of John Wards land is: 30: foot in Width Till it Coms to ye stake and stones at ye Easterly Corner of ye New streete and the sd Way lyeth on ye Northeasterly side of sd Rainges and from sd stake & stones at ye Easterly Corner of New streete The Rainge To Extend West 20 Degrees southerly till it Coms To the Kings Roade The Way is: 50: foots in Weadth at ye uper End by ye

Lower way over the Brook

Kings Roade and is an hundred and six foots at ye lower End by the seaside Which is The Wedth of sd New streete And That Way yt leadeth To The south over The brook To begin att a stone sett into ye Ground a little above John Rickards uper Warhouse To Run upon a strait cours Till it Coms To Timothy Mortons Westerly corner bounds and from The Westerly corner bounds a little above Ephraim Kemtons house The Way To Run on a straight Rainge Till it coms to sd Kemptons land and all The land lying between The aforesd bounds and The land of Timothy Mortons and Ephraim Kemptons Till it coms To ye south Easterly corner bounds of sd Kemptons land To be contained in sd Way and from Thence to Extend south East over the brook being: 60: in width on ye North East side said Rainge on ye Southerly side of The brook The Way to Extend The most Directest course allong the beach & soe over Barnses creek allias little creek carring: 60: foot in Wedth Till it coms to ye land of John Barns and Jonathan Barns and Thence sd Way To Extend up the lane Till it coms To ye Kings Roade sd Way Including all the comon land in sd lane, And also laid out a Way Down Spring hill With a conveniance to Water Creturs at ye Town Brook sd Way to begin at a stone sett in ye Ground at the southerly corner of Jacksons Buildings by Eliazar Dunhams house from sd stone To Extend south 13 Degrees Easterly To land of Joshua Bramhall which he latly purchased of Left Shurtleff and soe along by sd Bramhals land in the same Rainge Till it Coms to ye brook at ye Corner of sd Bramhals land and from Thence To Extend over the brook to Two flatt stones or Rocks in ye Edg of The brook in ye same Rainge and from sd Rocks to the land of John ffoster on ye southerly side sd brook and by sd ffosters land till it Coms to The Kings Road and by sd Roade till it Coms to ye Cart bredg and by sd Cart bredg till it Coms to ye foot bredg and then by sd foot bredg & by Robert Bartlets land

Spring Hill Way Coles Hill Way bounds Till it Coms To ye spring hill at the Easterly End of the stone wall on ye Topp of ye sd hill ye sd Way is 43 foot in Wedth from sd Wall to The land of Joshua Bramhall Also laid out a Way on Coles hill said Way To Begin att a stone in ye Ground which is John Ricards southerly corner bounds and from sd stone to Extend North: 2: Degrees Easterly along sd Rickards land to a stone sett in ye Ground at the Northerly Corner Thereof and from sd stone to Extend North 5 Degrees Easterly till it Coms into New street sd Way is on the Easterly side of sd Rainge and is: 10: foot in Weadth

Benjamin Warren John Dyer John Watson Abiall Shurtlef Select Men

[182.] Know all Men by These pressents That I Nathaniell Warren of The Town of plimouth in The province of The Massachussets in New England Merchant Am held & firmly bound unto John Rickard John Mordo & William Shirtlef now Selectmen of plimouth aforesd in The penalty or summe of two hundred pounds of Curant silver Money of New England aforesd Them Theire heirs Exsecutors Admrs or Assignes unto Which payment Well & truely to be made I bind my self my heirs Executors Admrs firmly by These pressents sealled With my seale Datted This fourtenth day of Jannuary One Thousand six hundred ninety Eight 1698

The Conddition of This Obligation Is such That I The above bound Nath Warren his heirs Execators & Adm's shall & doe Well & Truelly bare & Indemnifye The Town of plimouth abovesd from all Charges & disbursments As May Hapen or Acrew by The Entertainment and bringing into The Town of plimouth abovesd The Wife & Children of Mer William Simes Massernon Then This obligation To be void & of none Effect or Else to be & Remaine in full force & vertue

Signed sealled & delivered

In The prescence of Us Nathaniell Southworth Elisha Cobb

Natth Warren

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[183.] To all To Whome These presents shall come Greeting Wheras quachatosett formerly of Sandwich Indian Sachem Did Reserve a Certain Tract of land lying within ye Township of plimouth & Did not sell The same To ye Intent That it might Remaine for a Comon unto Jonathan Morey late of plimouth now Deceased and to Divers Indians yr Inhabiting att & neere saltwater pond in sd Township of plimouth Which sd land lyeth on ye southeasterly side of and adjoyneth unto The line yt Devids betwen the Indians land soe Caled and ye lands formerly sold to the Town of plimouth Now Know yea Therefore That I John Sepett of plimouth aforesd ye Grandson and heire To the aforsd quachatesett sachem being Willing and Desiring That ve sd lands Reserved as aforesd should lye and Remaine for ye use aforsd Doe hereby Covenant promise and Grant To and With Jonathan Mory son of sd Jonathan Mory Deceased and Jacob Hodge Samson Wopnut Robin Wopnutt Ben Samson Ezekill Jool Indians Now Residing or Residents in ye Towne of plimouth That they and Each of Them shall have equal part and share With My self in all the sd lands Reserved and not sold by quachatasett my Grandfather aforsd and to their heires and assignes for Ever for Each one and their severall & Respective use benefitt and Improvement as Commons between Them and my self in all the Costs and Change that Wee or aney of us may be att and Disburss in Maintaining and Defending our Right and title Thereunto In Witnes Wherof I the sd John Sepitt have hereunto sett my hand and seale This fifth Day of May Anno domini one Thousand seven hundred and Ten 1710

In presence of William Bassett Mordaca Ellies John Sepitts Mark □ and seal O

Plimouth SS on the same 12<sup>th</sup> Day of May Then ye above named John Sepett personally appering before me The Subscriber authorized with the power of a Justice of the peace amogst ye Indians Within ye County of plimouth and Barnstabl acknoledged the above Written Instrument to be his act and Deed

William Bassett

December 29 1719 pursuant to ye law of this provence Relating to shiping of horses on ye Day above mentioned Then shipt on bord the sloope prosperety bound for Barbados Samuel Bartlet Master one sorrel hoss of Estimated 2 years old som white in his face his Right Eye a Wall Eye, one Iron Gray Mare about 4 yers old Branded on her buttock with an X somthing White in her face owned by William barns, A horse of a Dark brown collor estimated about 8 years old owned by John Barns Junior, one hors of a lite sorel collor about 7 years old A White spot in his forchead

On ye Day and yeare first above mentioned the above named horses were vewed and an account of their Marks Was Taken by me

Tho ffaunce Town Clerk of plimouth

[184.] Septembr 18 1700 I hev Received of Mer William Shirtlef Treasurer of The town of plimouth The full and Just sum of Ten pounds in Money Being in full for all arearages Due from sd Town of plimouth from The Begining of The World unto This Day unto my Deseased husband John Cotton Late Minester of plimouth Excepting as May Lawfully appeare To be Due from aney particular person

I say Received By Mee

Joana Cotton

These May Certify That I the subscriber Minister of the people of Plimouth In New England have Received my yearly salary of the Town in full from yeare to year Ever since I served them In the work of the Ministrey To the ffiftenth Day of November one Thousand seaven hundred and nine 1709 for which I Thank the Town & fully Discharge them To That time Above mentioned as Wittnes my hand September 18 1710 Ephraim Little

These May Certify all Concerned That I have Received in full of the Town of Plimouth The whole of my sallerey for all Time past I say Received by Mee

Ephraim Little

November 15th 1714

plimouth March 11<sup>th</sup> 171<sup>6</sup>/<sub>7</sub> I have Received from ye Constabels of plimouth The Whole of my sallerey from ye Town of plimouth for The yeare 1715 (viz) Eighty pounds I say Received per Mee Ephraim Little

[185.] Taken up by John Morton A stray heiffer Marked With Two slitts on her Right Eare all over black Excepting a little White under her Belley

Dated ffebruary 4th 170 18

A Lott of Land of 30 feet wide from the top of Coles hill Commonly so caled next to New street there being a stone set into the ground some distance from Fosters House to Range East 20 degrees North to range upon the Hill South 20 degrees East there being 7 lots to run from the top of ye hill to the Cartway below the hill and so on the same point of Compass into the Bay

South 21 degree East South 14 degrees East to ye New highway Plymouth November the 3rd 1705 laid out and Bounded unto Isaac King sixty five acres of land whereof forty acres is part of his sixty acre lot and the other 25 acres is part of the sixty acre Lot of John Everson the said sixty five Acres is Bounded as ffolloweth Twenty Acres thereof is Bounded on the Northerly side By the Town line and on the Westerly End thereoff it is Bounded from a stake standing in the town line Rainging Due South Seventy five Pole to a stake with stones about it and from thence Rainging East 16 Degrees Northerly unto Jones River Loted Ceder Swamp and from thence bounded by said lotted Ceder Swamp unto the six acres lately laid out to Samuel Bryant and from thence Bounded By said six acres unto the Town line aforesaid; and the other forty five acres is Bounded on the Westerly side thereof By the Lotted Ceder swamp in Turkey Swamp and on the Southerly End thereof it is Bounded from the pine Tree marked which is the South East corner Bound of the lotted Ceder Swamp Rainging East and By North 2 Degrees Easterly unto a stake and stones in the Rainge of the forty Acre lott of William Bonny and from thence Bounded By said forty acre lot North and by East a gater of a Pirt East sevtenty two pole to the North West Corner thereof Being a white oak marked By the Cart way; and from thence Bounded By the Northerly End of said forty acre lott unto the Meadow of said Isaac King; and from Thence Bounded By said Meadow unto said Isaac King's former-And from thence Bounded By his former lands unto the lotted Ceder Swamp in Turkey Swamp Before Mentioned

> John Bradford Samuel Sturtevant } Survawers

Was Rec'd & Recorded July 10<sup>th</sup> 1751

## [186.] Plimouth december 21 1698

persuance of a law of this province for the Recording of stray Cattle and on sd day above mentioned Jonathan Morey Junior declared that there is in his Costody 3 young Cattle that Is to say two black heighfors of 2 yeare old and vantage, one with a White face with two slits in the back side of the Right Eare, the other haveing some white spotts on Each Cheek with one slitt toward the top of the Right Eare on the under side thereof & one pide stere black & white with two slitts on the under side of the Right Eare with a short tale the sd stere of a yeare & vantage

on december ye 23<sup>rd</sup> 1698 Wee The persons underwritten being under oath to prise the stray Cattle above mentioned doe Estemaite them as followeth the 2 heifers att 30 shillings a pecee the stere at 25 shillings

James Warren Thomas Loring

There is In George Barrows Custide A yong Mare judged to be 2 yeare & vantage old Naturall Marks A white slip on her nose & a smal star in her forhead and a Cool black

September 1711

On the 2<sup>d</sup> of January 1710 there was A Meting of the women of the Town Warned by Authoritie to make Choyce of som of sd women of sd town for Midwives & after they had given in their votes The lot fell on those following (viz)

Lidiah Rider Juduth ffaunce Susannah Coole & Anna Stirtevant \* a black steer 2 year & advantage a half penny under ye left \*

A stray beast taken up by Z

A stray beast taken up by Zephaniah Swift of Agawam within the Town of Plymouth viz. a steer about 4 years old, a brown colur with white upon his back about half ways towards his rump. Some part of the tail is white a little white under the flank pretty high horns stand something bowing in with a slit in the left eare

A stray beast taken up by Thomas Swift about ye 20 April a black steer about a year and advantage a brown list on his back a half penny under ye right ear & a half penny on ye foreside of ye left ear & a slitt upon ye left ear. Nov<sup>7</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 1728

An old ox a light colured brindle white & red brood horns white legs & white on his forehead

Taken up by Nathaneel Holmes the second a Wastcoat about the midle of \* Instant January. The wastcoat is a mixt homespun cloth lined with a striped homespun cloth there being 11 pewter buttons upon it January 29<sup>th</sup> 1730

Taken up by Silas West a sow supposed to be a spring pig black & white something of a Sandy Colour a small noch in the under side of the right ear near the tip sd swine was taken up November 2<sup>d</sup> 1732 about sun bye

Taken up by George Holmes Hog Reve 6 swine 4 with yoaks & 2 without 3 of them about a year & 3 of them shoats no ear mark one of them and white July 20 1734

Plymouth November 18<sup>th</sup> 1734. Then taken up Dammage feasant Red molde faced two & vantage steere which the Owner may have of Ebenezur Holmes of Eel River

Plymouth December 1734 Taken up by Samuel Cornish a Brown heifer two and advantage old markt with a crop cut in the underside of the left ear

Taken up by Timothy Burbank a midling white sow which is now in Penn without a mark

March 30 1739

Plymouth Janury 15 1743

We the subscribers being Desird to prise a Brown Darkish \* mare taken up by Josiah Cotton of Plymo aforesd as a stray \* \* star in her Forehead & a White spot upon her nose \* \* her neck & being informed that notyfication had been \* \* Kingston & Duxboro do Judge her to be worth the sum of \* \* in bills of Credit old Tenour as Witness our Hands

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The Mark of Ebenezur Cobs Cattle Horses sheep swine &c is a half penny under each ear & a slitt in the top of the Left Ear and a brand with the Letter C in the forehead.

The Mark of Joseph Riders sen Cattle Sheep & Swine &c is a hole in the right ear and a slit in the upper part of the Left ear

The Mark of Eleazer Holmes Cattle Sheep & Swine &c is two hapenys in the Left ear on the hind part of the ear.

The Mark of Robert Cushmans Cattle Sheep & Swine &c is a half crop in the right ear on the hinder side of the sd ear & a hapenny on the fore side of the same ear.

The Mark of Benjamin Riders Cattle Sheep & Swine &c is a square crop in each Ear and a slit in the near ear the Length Way of the ear.

The Mark of Joseph Churchels Cattle Sheep & Swine &c is a half penny in the under side of the right ear and a hole through the Left ear Enterd January 29th 1724/5

Enterd this mark for Sam1 Jackson 1750/1

The Mark of Eleazer Churchells Cattle Sheep & Swine &c is a Swallows tail in the Left ear and a hole in the right ear. Enterd february 4th 1724/5.

The Mark of John Churchell son of Joseph Churchell his Cattle Sheep & Swine &c is a half penny upon the upper part of the Left ear, and Two half pennys on the upper part of the ear and the other half penny on the under side of the sd ear. Entred february 4<sup>th</sup> 1724/5

The Mark of Josiah Clarks Cattle Sheep & Swine a slitt in each ear.

John Churchel Juner, the Mark of his Cattle Sheep & Swine is a Swallows tail in the right ear & a slit in the Left ear the length way of the ear. Entred March 6<sup>th</sup> 1724/5.

The Mark of Thomas Holmes Cattle Sheep is a Crop off of ye Left ear and a half penny under the same ear & a hole in the right ear.

The Mark of George Morton's Jun<sup>r</sup> Sheep is a Crop off of the Left ear and a half penny cut out of each ear in the under part of ye ear & a hole in ye right ear.

The Mark of Thomas Bartlets Cattle Sheep & Swine is a half Crop upon the Right ear on the fore part and a half Crop on the Near Ear on the hind part of ye Ear. Entred Octor 25<sup>th</sup> 1725.

The Mark of William Harlow Jun<sup>r</sup> his Cattle Sheep & Swine &c is two Crops on both sides of the Left Ear that brings it to a peak as this  $\wedge$  at the top of the sd ear

The Mark of Nathaniel Holmes of the North End his Sheep Cattle & Swine a Crop off of the right ear & a halpenney out of the fore part of ye same ear.

The Mark of Thomas Faunce son of Joseph Faunce his Cattle Sheep & Swine a half Crop on the underside of the Right Ear and a nick cut down the upper side of the Ear down into the ear 1 horse red bay 1 Mare black bay with a white \* in the forehead both marked with a half crop in the under side of the right ear.

The Mark of Jacob Cooke Jun<sup>r</sup> his Cattle Sheep & Swine is a half crop under the left ear.

The Mark of Samuel Harlow's Cattle Sheep & Swine &c a crop off of the Right Ear and a slit in the fore part of the left ear.

The Mark of Zephaniah Swifts Cattle Sheep & Swine, a Crop off of each Ear with a slitt in each ear.

Barnabas Churchels Mark of Sheep Cattle & Swine is two nicks in the Right ear one nick being in the under side of the ear next

\* \* \* & one of the nicks in the upper side of the car.

[3.] The Mark of Josiah Sturtevants Sheep Cattle & Swine Two Nicks in the right ear one nick above in ye upper part of ye ear & ye other nick in ye under part of sd ear and a Crop off the left ear

The Mark of William Lucus his Cattle Sheep & Swine is a hole in the right ear.

The Mark of Samuel Dunhams Cattle Sheep & Swine is a nick or cross slitt in the underside of the left ear.

The Mark of Gideon Ellis his Cattle Sheep & Swine is a half penny on the foreside of the right ear and a half penny on the underside of the left ear. Entred April \*

Two Swine taken up by the hogreves viz.: George Holmes & Isaac Little which were found damage feasant in Ephraim & Samuel Kemptons Inclosure on the 6<sup>th</sup> of April 1731 the one of sd Swine is a White hog of about a year & half old part of the tail cut off and the other is a white boar of about a year old

february ye 21 1731/2 Received of Thomas Wethrell of Plymouth the Sum of ten pounds in full for a black horse Branded with H P on the near Buttock I say Received by me

John Thomas of ye west Gearses

The Mark of Sam<sup>11</sup> King Jun<sup>r</sup> his Cattle Sheep and Swine is a hole in the Left Ear May 15 1733

Memo King being removed out of Town Entd ye same mark for Thomas Jackson Jun<sup>r</sup> April 29 1749.

The Mark of Samuel King Sen<sup>r</sup> Cattle Sheep & Swine is a hole in each ear.

The Mark of John Harlows Cattle Sheep &c a Crop off of the near ear a slit in the iop of the right ear.

This made Voide By John Harlow & the same Mark Entred to Richard Holmes Jun<sup>r</sup>.

The Mark of Thomas Spooners Cattle Sheep &c a Crop of each ear & a half penney in the left ear on the under part of ear & a Slit on the top of ye Same ear, memorandum some of ye old Sheep had a half penny in the under part of ye right ear which was not cut quite out. June 6 1735. Taken by Nathaniel Carver An: 1778.

The Mark of Robert Davies Cattle Sheep & Swine is a Crop of the right ear a hole in the left ear and a slit from sd hole across the ear of sd ear

The Mark of Joseph Mortons Cattle Sheep & Swine is a Crop off the right ear and a slit in the top of the left ear the length way of the ear

The Mark of Jeremiah Howes Cattle Sheep & Swine is a Crop of each ear and a half penny on the upper side of the left ear.

The Mark of John Crandons sheep is a Crop of the right ear and a hole in the same and a crop off the left ear cut short.

The Mark of Joseph Rider Jun<sup>r</sup>. Cattle Sheep is a Crop off each ear and a half penny cut out on the under side of each ear. Joseph Ryder son of said Joseph took the Mark Entd Feb 1725

The Mark of John Harlow Jun<sup>r</sup> Cattle Sheep &c is two Cross slits on the under part of the right ear and one Cross slit on the fore part of the left ear.

The mark of Benjamin Lothrop Cattle Sheep & Swine viz Two half pennys cut out of the under side of the right ear. Nov<sup>r</sup> 7 1737

The mark of Benjamin Harlow Sheep & Cattle &c. The near ear is cut \* and a half penny cut of the right ear

[4.] I John Dyer took up a Ten Shilling Rhoad Island Bill No (177) Committe yt signed Edward Thurston Geo. Goulding & Jon<sup>a</sup> Nicholls Dated 1724 sd Bill was found Octor 4 1724.

A stray Red White back heifer two years old & the advantage with a hollow Crop in the Left ear taken up by Thomas Swift December 13<sup>th</sup> 1726

A stray creature taken up by Eleasar Holmes a heifer about 2 years old and advantage marked with a hollow Crop & a half penny in the right ear natural marks white taile & white belly and her horns grow close together as a horn beetle.

A Stray beast taken up by Thomas Swift of Plymouth being a steer of two years & advantage old a brindle or darkish Colur pretty deal pied a Crop off of the left ear and a Slitt in the foreside of the right ear. Said beast was taken up about ye 20<sup>th</sup> of October 1736. Entred february 18<sup>th</sup> 1736. There being some mistake about the abovesd Steer taken up by Thomas Swift The said steer is counted to be about three or four years old a Red or brindle pied couler with a Crop or a hollow Crop off of the left ear and a cross cut upon the under side of the left ear.

The marks of a Whale left on Record By Benjamin Drew of Plymouth Dec<sup>r</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>: 1737: the sd Whale was struck by Joseph Sachemus Indian at Manument Ponds the 25<sup>th</sup> of November 1737 there were several irons put into her one was a backward iron on her left side and two Irons on her right side pretty backward and one lance on her right side the Iron on the left side was broke about six Inches from the socket She caried away one short warp with a drug to it and a long warp with a drug without a boy one of the drug staves was made with white birch one of the Irons was

marked with an I on the head and as the Indians think with a blind S on the other side of the head, the rest of the Irons we cannot give an acct of the marks

The mark of John Coopers Sheep Cattle & Swine a half Crop on the upper side of the right ear a squar Crop of the left ear.

The mark of Nehemiah Riplys Cattle Sheep & Swine a plain Crop off of the Right ear a half penny taken out of each side of the left ear.

The mark of Lemuel Mortons Cattle Sheep & Swine are a whole Crop off the Left ear and a Slitt in the crop of the same ear & half Crop of the under side of Right ear. Mr Samuel Morton live \* took this mark May 24<sup>th</sup> 1799

The mark of George Holmes Sheep is a hole made in both ears & a crop off of both ears. Entred April 25 1739, is Deceasd. Entry ye same mark for Josiah Johnson May 9th 1752

Two White swine being midling Sows taken up by ————August 20th 1739 haveing no artificial marks.

The marke of Samuel Bartlets Cattle Sheep & Swine is a half Crop of of the Upper part of the right Ear & a Cut under ye Lower part of the same Ear Entred May 19 1740

The marke of Benjamin Bartletts Cattle Sheep & Swine Is a Cropp of off the Right Ear and a half Cropp out of Lower Side of the Same Ear. Entred May 28 1741.

Taken up by me the Subscriber a Stray black Mare with a Starr in the Forehead & a Stripp down to her nose about seven year of age and about fourteen hands high & Something lame in her Forefeet said beast was taken up about ye middle of May last past. Plymo June 8th 1741

Wm Ellis Junr

We the Subscribers being desird to apprize the sd Beast do according to the best of our Judgment value her at fifteen pounds & no more

James Shurtleff Gershom Cobb

[5.] The marke of William Harlows Cattle Sheep & Swine &c is two Crops on both sides of the left Ear that brings it to a Peak as this  $\wedge$  at the Top of the sd Ear. Entred May 10<sup>th</sup> 1742

The Marke of Benj<sup>n</sup> Harlows Cattle Sheep & Swine is Two Crops on both sides of the left Ear that brings it to a Peak as this  $\wedge$  at the Top of sd Ear and a half penny Cut out of the fore part of the Right Ear. Entred May 10<sup>th</sup> 1742.

The marke of William Harlow Jun<sup>r</sup> Cattle Sheep & Swine is two Crops on both sides of the right Ear that brings it to a peak as this  $\wedge$  at ye Top of the Ear. Entred May  $10^{\rm th}$  1742

The marke of John Harlows Cattle Sheep &c a Crop off of the near Ear a slit in the topp of the right Ear. Entred May 10<sup>th</sup> 1742

The mark of William Barnes's Cattle Sheep Swine &c is a half penny on the underside of the Left Ear. Entred Dec. 31, 1744

The Marke of Benjamin Barnes's Sheep Cattle Swine &c is a half penny on ye underside of ye Left Ear and a Swallow Taile on ye Top of the Right Ear. Entred Dec. 31, 1744

The Marke of Josiah Churchells Cattle Sheep & Swine is a swallow Taile on ye Top of Each Ear. Entd. Dec. 31, 1744

The Marke of Benjamin Kings Cattle Sheep & Swine is Two holes in The Right Ear. Entd Jan<sup>ry</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1744

The mark of Joseph Bartlett Jun<sup>rs</sup> Cattle Sheep & Swine is a Crop on the Right Ear and a Round hole in ye left Ear. Entd March 8<sup>th</sup> 1744

The Mark of Robert Bartletts Cattle Sheep & Swine is a half Crop off of ye upper part of ye Right Ear; And a square Crop of ye Left Ear with a Slit from sd Crop down ye sd Left Ear. Entd Dec 7 1745.

The Mark of Amaziah Harlows Cattle Sheep & Swine is a Square Crop off of the Left Ear & 2 Cross Slits on the upper Part of the Right Ear. Entd Dec 26th 1745.

The Mark of John Bartlett Cattle Sheep & Swine is a Square Crop of Each Ear. Entd Dec<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1745.

The Mark of Elkanah Mortons Cattle Sheep & Swine is Two holes in ye Right Ear & one hole in ye Left Ear. Entd Jan<sup>ry</sup> 31, 1745.

The Mark of Lemuel Bartletts Cattle Sheep & Swine is a half penny on ye upper side of the Right Ear; and a half penny on ye under side of ye Left Eare. Entd December ye 20, 1745.

The Mark of Nath<sup>1</sup> Fosters Cattle Sheep & Swine is one hole in the Right Ear & Two holes in Left Ear. Entd May 7<sup>th</sup> 1746

The Mark of David Turners Cattle Sheep & Swine is a half Crop in ye under side of ye Left Ear. Entd May ye 13th 1746

The Mark of George Holmes Junrs Cattle Sheep & Swine is Two holes in ye Right Ear one above ye other & a hapenny ye under side of ye same Ear; And one hole Cut in ye left Ear and a whole Crop of ye same with a hapenny on ye under side of ye same Ear. Entred May 4 1746

The Mark of Nath<sup>1</sup> Shurtleffs Cattle Sheep & Swine is a hapenny on ye upper or foreside of Each Ear. Entred June 11 1746

[6.] The Mark of Lemuell Jacksons Sheep & Swine is a full Crop of Each Ear with a slit down Each Ear ye Length way of ye Ear. Entd May ye 24<sup>th</sup> 1748. Samuel Jackson bought Lemuel Jacksons sheep & land & keeps them there & marks this mark Jan 1769.

The Mark of Thomas Jacksons Cattle Sheep & Swine is 2 holes in ye Left Ear. Entred April 29th 1749, he Deceased is Taken by his son W<sup>m</sup> Hall Jackson Nov 1797

The Mark of Thomas Jackson Junrs Cattle Sheep & Swine is a slit in ye Left Ear a rounding Crop of the Right Ear & one hole in the same.

The Mark of Jeremiah Holmes's Cattle Sheep and Swine is a half Crop on the upper side of ye Right Ear. Entred August the 3rd 1750.

The mark of Samuell Jacksons Cattle Sheep & Swine is a half penny In ye under side of ye Right Ear, and a hole through the Left Ear. Entred January ye 28th 1750/1. See his mark some sheep he had of Lem. Jackson with his Lemuell Jacksons mark as above.

The mark of Ezekiel Riders Cattle Sheep & Swine is a Crop of Each Ear and a half Crop in ye under side of ye Left Ear. Entd Sept ye 27th 1751

The Mark of Josiah Johnsons Cattle Sheep & Swine is a Crop off of Each Ear, and a hole in Each Ear. Entd May ye 9, 1752, was ye mark of ye Cattle &c of Geo. Holmes Deceased Expd. the above mark to Peter Shurtleff 1775

The Mark of Robert Harlow Junrs Cattle Sheep Swine is a Hollow Crop of ye End of the Left Ear and two hapennys on ye Right Ear viz. one of them ye upper side, and the other ye under side of sd Ear

March ye 25<sup>th</sup> Entred. Taken up and Impounded in the Town of Plymouth, By Job Holmes one of ye Hogreeves for the Town of Plymouth one white Boar haveing no Ear mark, supposed to be about one year old.

April ye 20th Entered the mark of Seth Harlows Cattle Sheep & Swine is Two Crops on both sides of ye Left Ear that brings it to a Peak as this  $\bigwedge$  at ye top of sd Ear and a hapenny Cut out of the Lower or after part of ye Right Ear.

The Mark of Nathaniell Morton Junrs Cattle Sheep & Swine is a Square Crop of the Right Ear and Two Hapennys the under side of the Left Ear Entred Febry 19th 1756

Town Meeting October 22d 1716 At A Town meeting held att plimouth on ye 22<sup>d</sup> Day of october 1716 The Town Made Choyce of A Town Clerk & John Dyer was chosen into that office for ye Day & was sworn to ye faithfull Discharge of ye office by Major John Bradford Justice of ye peace Major bradford Modderator off sd meeting voated That Major Isaac Lathrop & Capt John Dyer shall Take Care about The personage meadow at ye high pines to serch ye records and writings relating To sd meadows & make report therof to ye Next Town meeting.

1754 April 12 Then Taken up and Impounded by Jonathan Samson one of ye Hogreeves of ye Town of Plymouth in Plymouth found feasant Damage Two white hoggs & one white sow all about one year old & marked on the Left Ear with a small nick ye under side of said Ear. And also one Whitish hog (Supposd to be a Rigelin) marked with a Crop of ye Left Ear.

Jonathan Samson Hogreeve.

This day Taken up and Impounded by me ye subscriber one of ye Hogreeves in ye town of Plymouth and Impounded in sd Towns Pound (found Damage feasant) Two White Boars supposed to be

near one year old Each, One of sd swine marked with a hapenney one ye upper side of ye Left Ear and a half Crop ye Lower side of ye same Eare; and the other marked with a half Crop ye under side of ye Right Eare.

Plymo June 27th 1754 Charge Samson ve Entry &c

Jonathan Samson Hogreeve

Taken up and Impounded on the 8th Day of this Instant February by me the Subscriber one of the Hogreeves for the Town of Plymouth found Damage feasant Two White Swine Viz. Hog Weight about fifty Pounds 1 Sow Weight about fifty Pounds and Two Small Boores one of Which has a small Black spott a Little aback of his sholder (Nyther of said swine having any artifisiall mark) all Put in the Town Pound in Plymouth; per Job Holmes Hogreeve.

Febry 11th 1755.

Job Holmes

Richard Coopers 16 acres of land

[7.] At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st of March 1710/11 ffor and in consideration of six pounds fifteen shillings & 3 pence well and Truly paid by Richard Cooper of the Town of plimouth unto John Watson Treasuror of the Town of sd plimouth for the use of sd Town The Town hath granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto him the sd Richard Cooper and to his heires & assignes for Ever sixten acres and 146 pole of land as it was laid out by ye surveiors of ye sd Town of plimouth as follows Desember ye 30th 1713 laid out by us ye subscribers sixten acres and 146 pole of land unto Richard Cooper of plimouth joyning to ye westerly side of land Pelonging to ye ministrey of plimouth and is Bounded as ffolloweth (viz) a stake and stones about it standing in ye rainge of lands belonging to Richard Holmes and is the Westerly Corner bounds of land laid out ye Day before to John Wood and from sd stake southwest by said Holmes rainge 31 pole. To a small red oake bush with stones about it and Thence sontheast 106 pole to ve road and then by ve road About 3 pole To ye sd Ministers land and Then by ye

sd Ministers land to a stake and stones about it being the southerly Corner bounds of said John Woods land and by sd Woods land to ye bounds first mentioned reserveing Wayes through sd land Through Gates or Barrs where they may be Wanted.

# Nathaniel Thomas Abiall Shurtlef surveiors

Town Meeting September 3 1716 At A Town Meeting held at plimouth september 3d 1716 The Town voated to raise The sums of money following Expresed; by rate upon ye Inhabitants for ye Defraying nesesary Charges in ye Town which are Described as followeth

Imprimus To ye Representative	14.00.00
Item To ye selectmen and sur-	
veires of ye Town's Estate	14.00.00
Item To ye poore	10.00.00
Item To Major Bradford as sur-	
veior of the high Wayes	12.00.00
Item To ye saxton	10.00.00
Item To ye Reparing ye Meeting	
house & other Town uses	10.00.00
Item To the scoole	15.00.00
Item To Iron Work about ye	
Meeting house	02.00.00

At This Meeting The Town voated to allow Major John Bradford six pounds Towards The building a bredg over stoney Brook provided he build it with stones sd Bredg to be Twelve ffoot Wide three feet high in ye middle and soe upon a straight To ye upland on Each side said With good stones Well laid to ye acceptance of the selectmen The arch in ye Middle to be Eight fot wide laid with oak peeces good & strong well Graveled & left in good repaire at 7 years End after this Date.

voated That all town acts for ye futur shall be ritt before they are voated in town meeting.

Town Meeting October 22<sup>d</sup> 1716

voated at A Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 22<sup>d</sup> Day of october 1716 That There be Three free schools sett up and erected in ye Town one Three schools for 5 years

at Each End to teach & instruct in reading & Writing and one to be Keept in ye midle of ye Town To be a Grammar schoole & That there be a Comittie Chosen to provid sutable persons to keep sd schools and the Interest of the money of what lands is sold within ye mile and half to be Towards the support of ye schools and That ye Town shal make up The reming part of wt is nessesary for ye support of said schools and the sd schools shall be for the Terme of five yeares.

committee

The persons Chosen for ye Comitty abovesd is Major Bradford Major Isaac lathrop Capt Benjamin Warren & Mr Abiall Shurtlif—And The Committee abovesd were likewise Chosen to have Inspection of The Town Treasurer's account of what money hee hath in his hands belonging to ye lands which is within ye mile & half

[8.]
Mr Nathanel
Thomas his
land bought
of ye town

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st of March 17010/11 for & in consideration of forty Two shillings & six pence Well and Truly paid by Mr Nathaniel Thomas Esquir unto Mr John Watson Town Treasurror of plimouth for ye use of sd Town The Town have Granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto ye sd Nathaniel Thomas Esqr and unto his heires and assignes for Ever Three acres of land lying on ye Easterly side of the Town Brook The laying out of sd 3 acres here followeth, laid out by us ye subscribers on the ffiftenth Day of May 1716 unto Nathaniel Thomas Esqu about Three acres of land lying on ye Easterly side of The Town Brook & lyeth adjoining to ye land comonly caled the new fields & belongeth unto George Barows & is Bounded as ffollows (viz) from the north East Corner of The land which Nath Thomas Esqu bought of ye widow Jene northerly 38: pole & about 6 foot by the land of George Barrow To a chrotched white

oake stump with stones about it and from Thence southerly by ye brook to ye land bought of ye widow Jene aforsd and from Thence Easterly by ye sd land To The Corner first mentioned reserveing a cart way Through sd land through Gates or barrs To George barrow his heires and assigns for Ever.

John Dyer Isaac Lathrop } Surviors

Major Isaac Lathrop Moderator

Town Meeting february 14 170<sup>16</sup>/<sub>17</sub>

At A Town Meeting held at plimouth ffebruary 14<sup>th</sup> 170<sup>16</sup>/<sub>17</sub> The Grand Jurors Then Chosen for ye yeare Ensuing were Nicolas Drew James howland and Joseph Morton.

Eel River Bridge At This meeting it was voated That Mr Nathaniel Thomas Esqu and Mr Abial Shurtlef shall joyne with Barnstabl agents To agree with y<sup>m</sup> in what method To rebuild or repare ye bredg over the Eale river and The Town Doth Engadge to raise money to Defray Their part of ye Charge thereupon arising.

A quitt Clame to Eliazar Churchell

some complaint was made That Eliazar Churchill had fenced in some Common land between ye Cuntrey road and Mr John Churchels land at oberv it being Considered yt it is much Disputable wheither the sd land belongs to ye sol Town or noe and it being but of small vallue The Town voated to quitt theire Claime of sd land which the sd Churchill had fenced To him ye sd Churchel his heires and assignes only his Brother Elkana haveing his part of it according to their fathers will and Testament This was Don at ye Town meeting last above mentioned upon this Grant ye sd Eliazar Churchill freely gave thirty shillings for ye use of the Town for the scale or other wise as the Town shall see Cause

[9.]
land
belonging
to Charles
Little

At A Town meeting held at plimouth ffebruary 14th 17016/17 for and in Consideration of ye full and just sum of Twenty & four pounds money to ye Town of plimouth well and Truly paid by Charles little of plimouth aforsd The Town have voated granted & sold unto Charles little his heires and assignes for Ever a Certaine Tract of land lying & being in the mile and half Commons in plimouth aforsd Containg about : 24: acres and bounded as ffollows (viz) Beginning at a stake & heape of stones by Dones feild at ye westerly corner of Nathaniel Jacksons feild about : 2: pole to ye southard of sd Jacksons Corner bounds and then West: 40: Degrees northerly: 29: pole To a red oake sapling marked with stones about it and from Thence southwest and by west to a white oake bush with stones about it standing in ye rainge of abiall Shurtlefs land and thence North & by West by his land about : 25: roods to sd Shurtlefs pastur fence To a stake and a heape of stones and thence northeast and by north about : 24: roods by sd Shurtlefs land strait to his southeast Corner bounds being a black oake Tree marked on : 4: sides & Thence North about 40 pole by sd Shurtlefs land To his Northeast Corner bounds being a stake and a heape of stones by a path and thence by ye land of John Wood East about : 36: pole or rod to a red oake sapling marked on: 4: sids from Thence North and by west about: 11: pole to ye path & Then by ye Cart path to ye land of Ephraim Coole and thence by ye land of sd Cole and ye land of Thomas Howland unto ye land of Nathaniel Jackson and thence by ye land of sd Jackson To ye bounds first mentioned with all The preveledges & appurtenances unto ye sd Tract of land belonging To have & To hold to him ye sd Charles little his heires & assignes for Ever without aney lett

hendrance or molestation of aney person whatsoever reserving ways through ye sd land Through Gats or barrs where it shal be nesesary

lands
belonging
To John Rider

At A Town meeting held at plimouth ffebruary 14th 17-. At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st of March 17010/11 ffor and in consideration of ye sum of Twenty pounds well and truly paid by John Rider unto Mr John Watson Treasurer of sd plimouth for the use of sd Town The Town have Granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto ve sd John Rider and unto his heires and assignes for Ever forty two acres of land neere little Town in sd plimouth and was laid out & bounded as follows by ye persons herunto subscribing october ye 14th 1712 Then about: 42: acrees of land that was granted or sold to John Rider by ye Town of plimouth at A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st of March 17010/11 was laid out by ye subscribers nere little Town and bounded as ffolloweth (viz) on ye south Corner with a white oake Tree marked on: 4: sides it being the Corner bounds of land laid out to ye Town and from sd Tree the line to Extend northeast by sd Town line : 140: pole to a heape of stones it being ye Corner bounds of land laid out to Samuel Dunham and from sd heape of stones ye line is to Extend nere West Northwest about A: 100: pole by sd Dunhams land and John ffaunces land and John harlows land till it coms to Ephraim Mortons land & Then bounded by sd Mortons land southerly to land laid out to John Barnes and then southwest: 44: pole by sd Barnes land to a stake & heap of stones marked on : 4: sides in ye Town line and Then to Extend southeast : 44: pole by ye sd town line to ye bounds first mentioned

> James Warren Nath: Thomas

Goorge Barrows land [10.] At a Town Meeting held at Plimouth on ye 21st of March 17010/11 for and In consideration of the full sum of forty two shillings and sixpence by Goorge Barrows of plimton Well and Truly paid unto Mr John Watson Town Treasurer of sd Town of plimouth for ye use of sd Town The Town hath Given Granted bargained and sold made over and Confirmed unto ye sd Goorge Barrows and unto his heires and assignes for Ever Two acrees & a half of land in sd plimouth Township and was laid out and Bounded By ye persons thereunto subscribing as followeth Laid out by us the subscribers on ye 15th Day of May 1716 unto Goorge Barrows about two Acrees and a half of land Including a quorter of an acre of land which was accepted out of some land formerly Granted to Richard Cooper and lyeth by the Town Brooke said Two acrees and a half lyeth on ye Easterly side of the Town Brook and is Bounded as ffolloweth (viz) from a chrotched White oake stumpe & heape of stones being the north East corner bounds of Nathaniel Thomases land which was laid out to him ye same Day To him and from Thence Northerly by said Barrows old lot To ye land of Richard Cooper and from thence westerly by sd Cooper's land to ye brooke and from Thence southerly by ye Brook to ye said Thomases land and from Thence East: 4: Degrees southerly by sd land to ye white oake stump first mentioned Reserveing A cart way Through Gates or bars Through sd land unto ye said Nathaniel Thomas his heires and assignes for Ever

> John Dyer Isaac Lathrop

Capt
Churchis
5 acres &
half of land
Bought of ye
Town

At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st of March 17010/11 for and In consideration of the full sum of Three pounds & 6 pence By Capt Charles Charles Church Well and Truly paid or in ye law secured unto Mr John Watson Town Treasurer of plimouth for The

use of said Town The Town have Given Granted Bargained and sold made over and Confirmed unto him the said Charles Church & unto his heires and assigns for Ever five acres and one half of land and bounded by the persons thereunto subscribed as ffoloweth (viz) March 24th 1710/11 Laid out by us the subscribers To Capt Charles Church five acrees & one half of land and is Bounded as followeth (viz) With a pine tree being The southerly Bounds of Samuel Kings land and Thence southwest half a point westerly: 36: pole to a with stones about it neere Barnebes rainge and Then by sd Barnebes rainge of land to ye broooke and Then by ye brooke: 16: pole if the swomp be Common & from sd brook westerly To the upland and then by ye swomp to Samuel Kings rainge and Then by sd Kings raing neere southwest about 12 pole to the pine Tree first mentioned

> James Warren Nathaniel Thomas

Nath: Thomas Moderator.

An account
of ye choyce
of Town
officers for
the year
Ensuing

At a Town meeting held at plimth March 18th 17016/17 for the choyce of Town officers for The yeare Ensuing is as follows The Moderator chosen was Mr Nathaniel Esq; The Town Clerk Thomas ffaunce & sworn by Mr Nath: Thomas Esq; above named voated to chose 5 selectmen namely Deacon John Foster Capt Dyer Capt Warren Abiall Shurtlef & Charles Little, voted Three assers for ye Ensuing year namly Capt Warren Capt Dyer & Mr abial Shurtlef The Constables Chosen namly William Cooke & Nathel howland Mr John Watson Chos Town Treasurer The Tithingmen chos namly Eleazar Cushman William harlow senior Joseph Mitchel & Thomas Clarke Deacons sen, James Barnebe sealer of leather, fence vewers are John Barnes Capt Ephraim Morton and Josiah Morton, feeld Drivers Ebenazer holmes

choyce of Jurors for The superior Court Ephraim Bradford Ebenaser Dunham, hog Cunstables namly haverland Torey, ffrances Adams Stephen Churchell and Timothy Morton

The Grand Inquest To serve at ye next superior Court namly Capt John Dyer and Mr Abial Shurtlef for ye Jury of Tryals Mr Mordow Deacon John Wood ffrances Adams & Ephraim Coole

[11.] land belonging to Deacon Foster

At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st Day of March 17010/11 ffor and in consideration of The sum of seaven pounds and four shillings by Deacon John Foster To Mr John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth Well and Truly paid ffor the use of the Town The Town hath Given Granted Bargained sold made over and confirmed unto him The sd John ffoster & to his heires and assignes for Ever Twelve Acres of land and laid out by ye surveirs that have herunto subscribed and is bounded as ffolloweth January 22th 1711 These 12 acres of land Granted to John ffoster at a Town meeting held at plimouth on the 21st Day of March 17010/11 neere his other land was laid out by us the subscribers and bounded as followeth on ye Easterly corner with a stak and a heape of stones It being The corner bounds of lands laid out the same Day to John harlow and from ye Bounds The line Extends southwest by sd harlows land: 70: pole To a heape of stones which is ye corner Bounds of Ephraim Mortons land and Then ye line to Extend nere North: 26: pole to a Tree marked by ye path and Then bounded by ve path as it Goos Till Coms to a smal white oake marked on: 4: sides it being ve corner bounds of John Watsons land and Then the line to Extend northeast and by north 26 pole to ye corner bounds of sd fosters other land and then by sd fosters land to ye path by Samuel Dunhams land and Then by sd path To ye bounds first mentioned allowing wayes over sd land where needed.

> James Warren John Dyer

Land belonging to Deacon Foster

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st Day of March 17010/11 for and In consideration of The sum of Twenty shillings by Deacon John ffoster paid to Mr John Watson Town Treasurer for ye use of ye sd Town of plimouth The sd Town hath Given Granted bargained sold made over and confirmed unto him ye sd Deacon John foster & to his heires and assignes for Ever and upon ye conditions here following Expressed upon which Two peeces of land are Granted and sold to ye sd Deacon foster his heires and assignes for Ever now follow The boundereys Thereof and The conditions upon which ye sd foster and his heires are to hold sd land May 25th 1712 Laid out by us the subscribers unto John ffoster of plimouth Two smal peices of land both adjoyning to ye land on which his shop now standeth on upon condition of his paying The summ of Twenty shillings to ye Town use and also that the sd foster his heires and assignes for Ever shall and Doo preserve and maintaine the Bank betwen the highway and the Brook or Boggey land below it soo that the highway may be allways as wide as now it is The westermost peeces is Bounded from ye land of the sd foster before mentioned westerly by ye sd highway on the Top of the bank to a Grat stone neere the foot of the Town Bredg and thence northerly Down the Bank about 30 foot below ye bridge and Thence Easterly by the Brook to ye land of the sd foster before mentioned and The other peece of land is Bounded from ye land of the sd Foster Easterly by The high way on the Top of the bank To The Gutter against the house of Ebenaser Morton & thence Down ye sd Gutter by ye westerly side of the spring and ye Run That Issueth out of The sd spring To The Eastward corner of sd fosters Whorfe and Then by ye sd Wharf to his other land before mentioned

> Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop

[12.]

Eight acrees & half of land To abiall Shurtlef

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st of March 17010/11 for and In consideration of The sum of floure pounds sixten shillings well and Truly paid by Abiall Shurtlif unto John Watson Town Treasurror of sd plimouth for the use of sd Town of plimouth The sd Town hath Given Granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto him The sd abiall Shurtlif and To his heires and assignes for Ever Eight acrees & a half of land lying being & Bounded as followeth (viz) Desember 29th 1713 laid out by us the subscribers unto Abial Shurtlif of Plimouth Eight acrees and an half of land joining to : 10: acrees of land laid out to sd Shurtlef som years past at Willets swomp and is Bounded as follows from ye southerly corner of John Woods land neere the westerly corner of sd:10: acrees being a heape of stones in ye Rainge of land laid out to Mr John Mordock and thence south southwest : 43: pole to sd Mordows southerly corner bound and Thence Southeast: 60: pole To a small red oake Bush with stones about it in the rainge of the land belonging To ye ministrey of plimouth and Thence Easterly about 9 pole The northeast corner Therof and Then northerly by the land laid out to Doctor Little Charles Little & Eleaza Jackson To The: 10: acres of land belonging to ye sd Shurtlef and then by ye sd Shurtlefs land unto the land of the sd John Wood and then by the sd Woods land To The bounds first mentioned reserving ways through sd land where they may be Wanted Throug gates or Barrs

> Nathaniel Thomas John Dyer Surveirs

The six acres & half of land Belonging To abial Shurtlif

At The Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st of March 17010/11 for and In consideration of the sum of four pounds Eleven shillings by Abiall Shurtlef of sd plimouth unto John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth well and Truly paid for ye use of sd Town The sd Town hath Given Granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto him ye sd abiall Shurtlif and unto his heires and assignes for Ever six acres and one half of land lying being and Bounded as ffolows March 24th 17010/11 laid out by us The subscribers unto abial Shurtlef six acres and one half of land & is Bounded as followeth (viz) With a pine tree marked standing by little pond and Thence northwest half a point westerly 72 pole To a small red oake bush with stones about it and thence southwest: 15: pole to a red oak bush with stones about it in ye line of the comon land of the Town and Thence southeast by sd line to ye sd little pond & Then by sd little pond To the bounds first mentioned allowin conveniant wayes through sd land besids the cuntrey roade

> James Warren Nathaniel Thomas

The laying out of Goose point To abiall shurtlef

At A Town meeting held at Plimouth on ye 21st of March 17010/11 ffor and In consideration of the sum of ffour Pounds by abiall shurtlef of sd plimouth unto John Watson Town Treasurer of sd Plimouth Well and Truly paid for ye use of sd Town liath Given Granted Bargained and sold made over and confirmed unto him ye sd abiall shurtlef and unto his heires and assignes for Ever The Beach commonly called The Goose Point lying in Plimouth aforsd Together with some of the flat adjoyning and is bounded and Described as folows Aprill 4th 1713 laid out by us The subscribers unto Abiall Shurtlef of Plimouth The Beach commonly called ye Goose

Point lying in Plimouth aforsd Together with some of ye flatt ajoyning and are bounded as ffolloweth (viz) With a heape of stones standing a little northward of the Brook which runs from Cobbs land into ye Bay & in the rainge of the fence which Devided Samuel Nelsons pasture from the meadow and thence Northeast and by East ffifty six pole into ye bay and Then Begining at ye heape of stones aforsd the line Extends southerly by ye Easterly side of the meadow of Nathaniel howland & of Richard Cooper to a heape of stones on ye beach by ye southeast corner of the sd Cooper's meadow and Thence northeast and by East ffifty six pole into ye bay and thence the line to Extend northerly Paralel in Every place To the aforsd southerly line by the bounds of the aforsd Howlands and Cooper's meadow untill it coms to the Easterty End of the flifty six pole first mentioned

> Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop

Capt Warren Moderator

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May 1714 Major Isaac Lathrop was chosen Representative

[13.] North part of Plymo Petition for a Township

The petition of sundery of the Inhabitants of the North Part of Plimouth to the Town of plimouth assembled in Town meeting on ye 15<sup>th</sup> of March 170<sup>16</sup>/<sub>17</sub> for a Township by themselves was Then red To the Inhabitants of the Town There meett and after some Discorse therupon The Town's full answer therunto was reserved untill the next Town meeting and on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May 1717 The Inhabitants of the Town meett upon Due Warning given to ye Inhabitants and was generally attended and then ye above sd petition was read again and an other petition put in by

sundrey of that part of the Town Inhabitance if the Town Wold not by their vote surrender Them to ye Desire of the former petitioners for they Did not Desire to be concerned with them in what they petitioned for and a frendly Debate was then held with the first petitioners at length the Moderator cald for a voat to know ye Town's mind Wheither they Wold grat Those Inhabittants vt had petitioned for a Township their Petition or noe and it was Proposed That those yt were for Granting ye petition shold manefest it by their usuall signe of lifting up their hands and but few of sd Inhabitants voted for it and then ye sd moderator Declared that those that were against it shold hold up their hands and the major part of the people voted against it

Lands belonging to Mr Little

At A Town meeting held at Plimouth on ye 12th of March 17010/11 for and In consideration of The sum of four Pounds & five shillings by Mr Ephraim little of sd Plimouth to Mr John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth Well and Truly paid for the use of the Town hath Given Granted Bargained sold made over and confirmed unto ye said Mr Ephraim little & to his heires and assignes for Ever Eight acrees of land more or less lying being and Bounded as follows ffebruary 13th 1711 Then laid out by us the subscribers To Mr Ephraim Little In consideration of four Pounds and five shillings by him paid into ye Town Treasurey Eight acrees of land more or less on ye Easterly side of Loud Pond and Bounded as followeth (viz) Begining at a red oake markd on : 4: sides by ye side of the Pond being the southwest corner bound of the land the same Day laid out To Stephen Churchell Thence Extending by a rainge of markt Trees by sd Churchels land northeast and by East half a point northerly till it coms to a red oake bush marked on two sides with in rainge of ye land laid out to Nathaniel Holmes which is also the northeast corner bound of sd Churchells land and from sd red oake bush To Extend about South East & by East Ten Pole to a heape of stones on ye Southeast side of the path yt leads up toward Ephraim Mortons land and from sd heape of stones to Extend southeast ½ a point southerly by a rainge of markt Trees and across a small hole of Water till it come to ye aforsd loud Pond and There bounded with or by a White oake Tree markt on 4 sides nigh ye pond and soe by ye Pond northerly to ye red oake first mentioned allowing Wayes where they may be Wanted

Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop

land belonging to Mr Little

At A Town meeting held at Plimouth March : 12:  $170^{10}/_{11}$  for and In consideration of six pounds seaven shillings and six pence by Mr Ephraim Little of said Plimouth To Mr John Watson Town Treasurer of sd Plimouth for ye use of sd Town Well and truly paid The Town hath Given Granted bargained sold made over and confirmed unto him ye sd Mr Ephraim Little and to his heires & assignes for Ever Eight acrees and a half of land and is laid out as ffollows october 17th 1712 Then laid out to Mr Ephraim Little of Plimouth on the Westerly side of Barrick Jordans Childrens land Eight acrees and a half of land vallued to him at fifty shillings an acree Bounded as followeth (viz) Begining at a stone sett into ye ground which is ye southerly corner bound of ye acre laid out for ye Clay pitt Thence rainging south southeast thirty Eight pole & half To a heape of stones by The wayside nere the northeast corner of John ffosters land thence East northeast by a raing of marked trees or bushes 16 pole to a heape of stones in ye rainge of sd Jordans land till it coms to Joseph ffaunces land Thence up by ffaunces land Westerly about 17 pole to a stone sett in ye ground Thence southwest 2 Degres Westerly To the Bounds first mentioned being :57: pole Reserving next to sd ffaunces land a sufficient Way for Jordans heires to pass through and Trance port or Drive through Gates or barrs creetars Laid out by us The subscribers

John Dyer Isaac Lathrop } surveiors

[14.]

Lands belonging to Mr Little At A Town meeting held at Plimouth on ye 21st of March 17010/11 ffor and in consideration of the sum of Eight pounds by Mr Ephraim Little of sd plimouth To Mr John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth Well and Truly paid for ye use of the Town hath Given Granted sold made over and confirmed unto him ye sd Mr Ephraim Little and to his heires and assignes for Ever two acres and a quarter of land more or less as is here following & Described

Laid out August first 1711 By us the subscribers pursuant to a Grant of the Town to Mr Ephraim Little a peece of land containing 2 acrees & a quarter more or less Which sd Little bought of the Town for Eigh pounds lying adjoyning To ye land that was formerly John Coles now in the occupation of abiall Shurtlef Bounded as ffolow (viz) begining at the Northeasterly corner of sd Shurtlef's land and by sd land to Extend up flifty pole Till it Coms to ye land of William barns Thence southeasterly by sd Barness land Till it Coms to the South easterly End of the sd barns stone wall to his Barrs Thence Downward northeasterly or there abouts to a Grat Stone sett into ye Ground neere a Grat rock and soe to an other stone sett into ye Ground 20 fott to ye Northerd of the corner bounds of the land laid out to Mr Isaac Lathrop Thence neere on the same rainge to an other stone neere ye high Way sett in ye Ground and thence by sd Way to the Bounds first mentioned by us

> Benjamin Warren

### PLYMOUTH RECORDS.

Ministers
salary.
Abiall Chose
Moderator of
The Town
meeting
held at
plimouth
Agust 26th
1717

Wheras The Town of plimouth made a voat To add to Mr Littles sallery Twenty pounds at A Town meeting held at sd plimouth on ye fifth of March 170<sup>15</sup>/<sub>16</sub> and Wheras some of the Inhabitants contested ye voat Was only Intended for that present yeare The Town att their meeting held at sd plimouth on ye 26<sup>th</sup> Day of Agust 1717 Then made an Explanation of their voat above mentioned That ye sd: 20: pounds should be yearly During the Time prefixed in sd former Grant untill ye yeare 1726

At This meeting The Town made Choyce of Mr Nathaniel Thomas Ju Esquir and Major Lathrop and Mr Josiah Cotton To be the Towns agents To Treat With Those gentlemen aponted by The Generall Court to vew ye spott of land in sd plimouth Township petitioned for by some of the Inhabitants of the North End of sd Town To be granted to them to be a Township by themselves ye sd agents are to lay before ye Comitty The Towns reasons Why they Were unwilling to Grat ye abovesd petitioners Their request.

Capt Warren Moderator Town meeting october ffirst 1717 division of town

At A Town Meeting held at plimouth legally warned & generaly attended voated That Mr Lathrop our Representative be ye Towns Agent to appere at ye Generall Court to make answer to ye petition of the people at Jons River about ye new Town & if ocasion be to Draw up & signe in ye Town's behalf a petition to ye Generall Court for an other Comitty and therein to offer such reasons as may be proper for ye obtaining Therof at ye Town's Charge.

Town
Meeting
Sheep
Pasture
3 miles
square

At A Town meeting legally Warned & held at plimouth october first 1717 It was voated That Wheras The Town Did on ye 24th of May 1703 Grant a Tract of land of three miles square bounded as sett forth in ye Grant To several persons Whose names are Entered on record The use of sd Tract being for a sheep pastur and ye sd persons haveing made a Tryal and found

the Design Impracticable and Declaring their Willingnes To fling up their right in sd Grant provided They may be reimburst The money they have Expended in & about the premeses The Town Doe Therfore appoint Major John Bradford Capt Benjamin Warren & Mr haverland Tory or aney two of them to be a Comitty To agree With sd men about These Charges and also With plimton popietors about their part in sd tract and yt ye remaining part of the sd Tract shall be Devided amongst ye ffreeholders that are legal Inhabitants of the Town of plimouth.

# [15.]

An Act of What moneys is to be raised on ye Town of plimouth to Defray ye nessesary Charges therof october first 1717 publictly read in ye Town meting october 1st 1717 &

Imprimis to ye use of the scools	65.00.00
To ye Representative	12.00.00
To the Assers for making of Rats	05.00.00
To the Reparing ye meeting house glass	04.00.00
To Major Bradford for mending ye high Wayes	14.00.00
To ye Sexton	10.00.00
To ye poore	10.00.00
To Major Bradford for making the bredg at stoney	
brook	66.00.00
To proved for Wolves	10.00.00

Town
Meeting
plimouth
November 4<sup>th</sup>
1717.
No<sup>th</sup> part of
Plymouth

Capt John Dyer Moderator

At A Town meeting held at plimouth November 4<sup>th</sup> 1717 At this meeting voated that Mr Nathaniel Thomas Esq & Major Isaac Lathrop shall be agents for ye Town of plimouth To bostorn to ye Generall Court to make answer to ye petition of Major John Bradford & others of the North part of ye Town & to give in reasons why they may not be a Township or precinct

Town Meeting february 24 17017/18 Deacon

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 24<sup>th</sup> of ffebruary 170<sup>17</sup>/<sub>18</sub> for The Choyce of Jurors The Grand Inqust for ye yeare Chosen by ye Town Were Sergant John Churchel

Foster Moderator Respecting Doct<sup>r</sup> LeBarrons Donation Ephraim Coole & John Morton ye Jury for Trals Were Jacob Mitchel Joseph Silvester & Timothy Morton

At This meeting The Town being Informed That Doctor ffrancis Lebaron Did in his last Will give 90 acrees of land To The poore of the Town of plimouth and it hath yet not ben set forth to sd Town by his heires or assigns yt so it mite be Improved for ye End for Which it was given Therefor the Town made Choice of Mr Nathaniel Thomas Esq and Mr Abiall Shurtlef To make a Demand of sd Labarions heirs that ye sd land may be sett forth by them according to his Will that it may be Improved according to ye will of the Donor.

Town
Meeting
May 12
1718
Representative
Jurors Chosen
Dogs
Indians land
&c

At A Town meeting held at Plimouth on ye 12<sup>th</sup> Day of May 1718 The Town mad Choyce of Capt John Dyer to serve in the place of Town Clerk for sd Day & was sworn by Nath Thomas Esq

The Town made Choyce of Nathaniel Thomas Esqu to serve as Representative for this present yeare

The Town made Choyce of John Rickard Ebenazar Morton & Samuel Dunham to serve on the jury for Trals for ye next Enferior Court of Common Pleas to be holden at plimouth

voted by The Town yt if aney Dog be found at large With out his master at aney Time of the night at aney Time hereafter for ye space of three yeares or if they be found Doing of mischef in Kiling cretures on ye Day Time Then it shall be lawfull for aney man to kill them. At sd meeting John Blackwel of Sandwich moved to have liberty from ye Town to make A purchas of some land belonging to ben sepitt Indian Wherupon The Town voted That The Selectmen or others Whome They shall apoint When They run ye line between Plimouth & Sandwich shall vew sd land

and make report to ye Town at ye next Town meeting after sd line is run Wheither it be sutabell for any place of setlement for ye Indians.

Ways Laid out at Agawam

[16.] Wee The subscribers Selectmen of The Town of Plimouth Being Desired by some of the proprietors of Agawame To lav out some Wayes Within sd propiety and We accordingly went & laid out ye Wayes ffollowing on ye 3rd Day of october 1717 We began to lay out a Way A lettle Within The Grat Rock Begining at a pine Tree marked With A Letter B; being a Bound Tree betwen samuel Bates & Israiel fferring from Thence to an other pine Tree marked and from Thence to a heape of stones about a stumpe and from Thence to A White oak Tree marked standing by ye meadow side and from Thence To a stake & A heape of stones standing Against Warrens house & from Thence To a stake and a heape of stons neere the Corse and from Thence to a stake & a heape of stones neere a llettle run of Water neere Samuel Bates house & all sd Wayes from the pine tree first mentioned To The stake & heape of stones standing by ye little run of Water last mentioned to be fouer rods Wide and all The above sd Way to be on ye Westerly side of the Bounds and Then The Way is to be Two rods Wide from sd stake to a stake sett into the ground Against A White oake Tree and from Thence to a stake sett into ye ground by The corner of Samuel Bates house and from Thence to a stake against Samuel Bates Barn & from Thence To another stake and then to another stake standing in the rainge of Samuel Bates & Israell fferrens & from Thence to a stake standing in ye rainge betwen David Bates & Israll Ferrens & from Thence To a stake standing in the rainge betwen Girshom Gifford & David bats & from a stake standing in ve rainge betwen Girshom Gifford & Samuel King Then The Way Turns by Giffords land till it Coms To a red oake

Bush marked standing neer a pond and from Thence to a pine Tree marked ye sd Way to be four pole Wide from sd Bush to ye sd pine tree till it coms to the head of the pond & from sd pine Tree To a pine Tree standing by Bever Dam swomp & from Thence To a red oake sapling marked standing by Beaver Dam & from Thence over Beaver Dam as the Way now goes to a maple bush marked upon the going off from Beaver Dam and from Thence by Ebenazar Burges old lot of land Till it coms to swifts land & soe by sd swifts land till it coms to the road Way which is left for the cuntrey road.

The lower Way That leads out of the Neck & soe along by Adam Jones house Begins at A white oak bush marked standing on Samuel Kings land about seaven or Eight rod from ye Corner of Giffords fence & from sd bush to A White oak Tree standing neere a llittle swomp and from Thence to a red oak Tree marked standing neere a slough in ferrens land and from Thence To a maple Tree marked & from Then To a pine Tree marked Which is The corner Bounds of Warrens lot and from Thence by Warrens lot till it coms To a pine tree marked standing by Muddy Cove & from Thence Cross ye Cove To a red oake Tree Which is Warrens bound marke and from Thence to A stake Which is The Corner Bounds of Bates his land and ffrom Thence To a pine tree marked standing by ye Way that leads from swifts to Jones and from Thence as The Way now goes to a red oak tree marked standing by little herring river and from Thence to a stake sett in the ground betwen sd herring river and Adam Jons house and Thence by sd Jons fence Tell it coms to a pine tree marked and from Thence to a pine tree marked: 11: Which is the corner bounds of sd Jons old lot & from Thence by ye rainge of Trees marked at ye heads of the lots Till it coms To ye Way that leads from Rochester To Sandwich There being a pine Tree marked and from thence the Way to goe as it now goes to Red brook and the sd Way is to be Two rods With A Way laid out of Two rods Wide To Goe to ye Burail yard To begin at a stake sett in The ground betwen the course of Warrens house and from sd stake to a red oak Tree marked standing in Warrens rainge and from Thence To

a stake sett in the ground and from Thence to ye land Which is laid out for A bural yard

John Dyer
John ffoster
Abiall Shurtlif

Selectmen
of the Town
of plimouth

Town
Meeting
March 17th
1718

At A Town meeting held at Plimouth on ye 17<sup>th</sup> Day of March 170<sup>17</sup>/<sub>18</sub> for The Choyce of Town officers Major Lathrop Moderator Thomas ffaunce chosen Town Clerk & sworn.

The Selectmen Chosen are Major Bradford Capt John Dyer Capt Benjamin Warren Deacon John ffoster and Abiall Shurtlef.

The Assesors Chosen for ye yeare are Major Bradford Capt Dyer Capt Warren

The Town Treasuror Mr John Wattson

The cunstables are John Cooke and Joshua Bramhall in the roome of William Barnes

The Tithingmen Deacon John Wood Samuel Kempton Thomas Clarke Jun

William Bradford Ju Samuel Bates for the precints of Agawame Major Bradford surveior for The Whole Town

William Harlow sealer of leather

The Hog Cunstabels Abiall Shurtlef serjant Churchill Stephen Churchill Jacob Mitchill and Ebenazar Burg of Agawame

The ffeild Drivers Deacon ffoster Ebebenazor holmes Eleazor Churchill Ebenazar Cobb & Jacob Mitchel & To observe The law relating to swine

The law made relating To Killing Blackbirds repeled

The choyce of ye Grand Jury to serve at ye Superior Court in aprill 1718 are Capt Dyer and Abial Shurtlef.

The pety Jurors for sd Court James Barnabe ffrances Adams Josiah ffinney and Thomas Howland ,

Eliazar Jacksons land about 7 acres At A Town meeting held at Plimouth March 21st 1710 for & in consideration of The sum of six pounds seaven shillings & six pence Well and Truly paid by Levet Eleazar Jackson To John Watson Treasurer of sd plouth flor the use of the sd Town of plouth The Town The sd Town hath Given Granted bargained sold made over & con-

firmed unto him the said Eliazar Jackson and to his heires and asignes for Ever about seaven acrees of land lying Within ye Township of sd plimouth

May 25th 1716 laid out by us ye subscribers unto Levit Eleazar Jackson of plimouth A peece of land Containing about seaven Acrees lying on ye northerly side of Dons ffeild and is Bounded as follows (viz) By a smal White oake sapling standing upon a nole and in The rainge of land belonging to ye Ministrey from thence northeast & by East about 46 pole to A stake with stones about it standing by ye corner of Nathaniel Jacksons fence and from Thence West 40 Degrees northerly 29 pole to a red oake sapling marked With stons about it and from Thence southwest & by West by ye land of Charles Little to a White oake bush marked with stone about it standing in ye rainge of Abial Shurtlefs land and from Thence southward by East of sd Shurtlefs land unto ye Northerly corner of the land belonging to ye Ministrey and then by sd ministrey land untill it comes to ye White oak sapling first mentioned reserving Wayes Through sd land Through gats or bars Where they may be wanted

> Nathaniel Thomas John Dyer Serviors

George Mortons land bought of the Town

[18.] At A Town meeting held at plimouth March 21st 17010/11 ffor and in consideration of the sum of Thre pound by George Morton Junior of the Town of plimouth aforsd unto Mr John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth Well and Truly paid for ye use of sd Town The sd Town hath Given Granted Bargained sold made over and confirmed unto him ye sd George Morton & unto his heires and assignes for Ever 2 peeces of land containing Two acres & three quarters Adjoyning to ye land that his fathe bought of Abraham Jackson senior neere little Town

May 7 1715 laid out

Laid out by us the subscribers unto George Morton Jun Two peeces of land containing Two Acres and about Thre quarters Adjoyning To The land his father Bought of Abraham Jackson neere little Town one peece of Which Containing upwards of two

acrees is Bounded on the southeast side by ye land Above mentioned and on ye northeast by ye land yt Was latly the land of Giles Rickards Deceased and Westerly by ye Way which leads from Wellensle to little Town leaveing ye sd Way Thirty foot Wide in Every place. The other peece containing Almost 3 quarters of an acree is bounded by The southerly End of the land formerly belonging To ye sd Abraham Jackson and soe by The southeast corner Therof south 31 Degrees Westerly to The land of Samuel Dunham Junior & Then by sd Dunhams land on a strait line Down to ye Way Above mentioned & Then by ye sd Way To The land before mentioned leaveing the sd Way Thirty floot Wide as above sd

Nathaniel Thomas Benjamin Warren } Surviors

Town Meeting Septembe 11<sup>th</sup>

1718

At A Town meeting held at Plimouth September 11<sup>th</sup> 1718 Pety Jurors chose for ye quarter sesions Capt Church Ephraim Bradford & John Bradford. The ffollowin bill of Charg relating to Town Charges was had in Town meeting And voated to be raised by rat on ye Inhabitants of The Town of sd Plimouth

Impremis To The schools	70.00.00
Item To ye Representative	14.00.00
Item To The Eell River Bredg	30.00.00
Item To The Selectmen & Assessors for making	
rates and Taking A valuation of The Towns	
Estate	14.14.00
Item To The Selectmen for running ye line be-	
twen Plimouth & Sandwich	2.00.00
Item To The reparing The Town Bredge	13.00.00
Item To The Saxton	10.00.00
Item To The Poore	10.00.00
Item To The runing ye line betwen Plimouth	
Plimton & Rochester & laying out of Wayes	05.00.00
Item To The Towns stock	05.06.00

Item to ye Assessors for Taking an accoun of ye
Tows Estat

03.01.00

Item to Major Bradford for mending ye high Waves

14.00.00

At This meeting The Selectmen Who Were The assessors by order of the Generall Court Were to Tak a valiation of the Towns Estat and being at such a season of ye yeare as it proved a grat burden & Charge but they being allowed by ye Court but 3 shill pr Day & They cold not hire help for Their Work at soe Chepe a rate upon Which the Town voated to allow ye selectmen that Were Imployed in ye sol valuation four shillings pr Day apeece for Their sol service

Corn Mill

At This meeting Divers people complained yt they sufered Wrong by the Ill grinding their corn by a child That had not Descresion to Doe what Was just betwen man & man upon Which The Town made choyce of Major Lathrop Capt Dyer & Capt Warren To Inform Capt Church That they Will not allow of that lad to be ye Towns miller and that if he Expects to hold the previled of the stream the Town Expects he shold carfully observe the condition on which you hold ye priveledg of the stream or ye Town will Take some other method to have Their Work Don \* \* .

[19.]

Town Meeting Desember 8<sup>th</sup> 1718 At A Town meeting held at plimouth Desember 8<sup>th</sup> 1718 for ye Choyce of Jurors Major Bradford Moderator The Jurors Chosen Were John Barns Deacon Wood & Elezer Churchell

Churchils land 22 acrees

July 8th 1718 laid out by us ye subscribers two acrees of land Adjoyning To Nathaniel Holmes land at pontasses meadow To Joseph Churchell and Stephen Churchell and is Bounded as folows (viz) Begining at the Northeast corner of sd Holmses lot Thence rainging by Barnses land A little more than Eight rods To a red oake sapling Thence neere southwest About forty rods by a marked raing to an

other red oake sapling Thence neere southeast To The sd holmes southwest corner and by sd holmes his land till it coms to ye bounds first mentioned

> John Dyer John Dyer
> Abiall Shurtlef surveyors

Mr Lathrops land

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 21st  $170^{10}/_{11}$  ffor and in consideration of the sum of Thirty shillings by Capt Isaac Lathrop of the Town of Plimouth aforsd unto Mr John Watson Town Treasurer of sd Town of plimouth Well and Truly paid for ye use of sd Town The sd Town hath Given Granted Bargained and sold made over & confirmed unto him the sd Isaac Lathrop & to his heirs and assigns for Ever one acree and alThree quarters of land and laid out & bounded by ye subscribers as ffollows May 25th 1711 laid out by us The subscribers one Acree & three quarters of land unto Mr Isaac Lathrop adjoyning to his other land nere Pontos meadow and is Bounded on ye East corner With a White oake Tree being ye corner bounds of his other land and from Thence southwest 5 Degres southerly To a stone sett in ye ground neere the land of Nathaniel Holmes senior and Then by sd holmes land northwest and by North: 17: pole To a stone sett into ye ground & Thence northeast :5: Degres northerly: 16: pole to a red oake marked being The southwest corner bound of the sd Latherups other land and then by ye rainge of ye sd Lathrops other lands 17 pole to ye bounds first mentioned reserving liberty of Cart Ways Through gates or Barrs Where They shall be needfull

> James Warren Nathaniel Thomas

february 26 1718

Town meeting [7] At A Town meeting held at Plimouth ffebruary 26th for ye choyce of Grand Jury for ye yere Ensuing Which are These following Jacob

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#### PLYMOUTH RECORDS.

Abill Shurtlef Moderator Mitchel Ebenazar holmes & Ignatus Cushing The Jurors for Trials are Capt Morton William Dunham & Thomos Holmes

Ebenazar Curtice his land

At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 12th of ffebruary 17010/11 for and In consideration of the sum of five pounds To John Watson Town Treasurer of plimouth for ye use of sd Town by Ebenazar Curtice of sd town of Plimouth Well and Truly paid for the use of The Town hath Given Granted bargained sold mad over and confirmed unto him The sd Ebenazar Curtice and to his heires and assignes for Ever A small peece of land and bounded as ffollows plimouth 26 1718 measured & bounded by us the subscribers unto Ebenazar Curtice of plimouth A small peece of land lying in plimouth aforsd About ninety & nine ffoot in length and being 83 foot in Width and bounded on the northwest side by ye land of Eleyzar Rogers on the southwest side by ye land of Ignatius Cushing on ye south East by ye land of Jacob Tincom & on the North east by the high Way or streete not to come further into ye street Than ye other house lots

> Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop

[**20.**]

Town Meeting March 23<sup>d</sup> 1719 for ye Choyce of Town officers for ye yere 1719 At A Town meeting held at plymouth on ye 23<sup>d</sup> of March 1719 for The Choyce of Town officers for The sd Town Chose Major Lathrop Moderator for sd meeting Thomas ffaunce chosen Town Clerk and sworn by Nath Thomas Esqi The Selectmen chosen are Major Bradford Capt Warren Capt Dyer Deacon ffoster and Abiall Shurtlif. Major Bradford Capt Warren & Capt Dyer Were chose assessors for ye yeare Ensuing The Cunstables Thomas Witherel Samuel

Dunham Elisha Studson but Thomas Witherel hired Isaac Doty to serve in his roome and he was by a voat of the Town Accepted to serve as Cunstable in his stead Mr John Watson Chose Town Treasurer The Tithingmen chosen were ffrances Adams Robert Cushman John harlow Joseph Bartlett and Nathaniel Chubuck The Hog Cunstables are John Watson Capt Dyer ffrances Adams John Rider & Samuel Nelson Feild Drivers Were Josiah Morton Capt Morton John Bradford Ju William Barns & Isaac Doty James Barnes sealer of leather ffence vewers John Barns Ebenezar Dunham William Bradford Sen John ffaunce Joseph Silvester & Thomas Holmes Major Bradford surveior for ye Whol Town for ye yere The Grand Jurors for ye Superior Cort Capt Dyer & Deacon ffoster The Jurors of Tryals for ye Superior Court Are James Barneb Joseph Silvester Abial Shurtlif & ffrancis Adams

Mr Thomas his Grant of the scourings of ye Way At This meeting The Town Granted to Nathaniel Thomas Esq The Muck or Dung our scourings of the high Way between sd Thomas new stable & The broke by ffollowes provided ye sd Thomas Doth not hurt ye sd Way

Town Meeting May 11th 1719 Representative cullers of fish Jurers for June Court At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye Eleventh Day of May 1719 Capt Warren Chose Moderator The Inhabitants made Choyce of Deacon John ffoster to be their Representative to attend ye Generall Court at Boston for the yeare Insuing At sd meeting ye Town Chose Eleazer Morton & Stephen Churchell to be Cullers of fish as ocasion Cals for in sd Town The Jurors Chose to serve in June next are James Barneb Eben Cobb and John Rickard The 4 acres of meadow formerly Granted unto John Jordan & Richard Right Ajoining To Jacob Cooks meadow in ye Woods is Bounded as ffol-

## PLYMOUTH RECORDS.

John Jordans & Richard Rights 4 acres loweth (viz) Two Acrees lying on ye southerly side of Colchester brook bounded at ye Westerly End by ye meadow that was formerly sd Cooks & on ye northerly side by Colchester brook up streame Till it Coms to two maple Trees standing together by sd brooke and markt on: 4: sids being about : 4: pole Down streame of a Turn in ye brook and from sd Trees to Extend south: 4 Degrees Westerly: 15: pole to a birch bush markt and from Thence bounded by ye swamp and upland till it coms to ye rainge of ye aforesd meadow Which Was Cooks other Two acrees lyeth on ye northerly side of sd brook and is bounded at ye Westerly End by ye aforsd meadow which was Cooks and from Thence ye southerly side is bounded by sd brook up streame till it coms to ye aforsd maples and from Thence to Extend north 15 Degres Westerly 13 pole to a stake stuck in ye meadowish ground and from Thence bounded by The swamp and upland Till it coms to ye aforsd meadow which was Cooks. and bounded as aforsd on ye 7th Day of June 1718 pr me

Isaac Cushman Ju Surveior

Town Meeting July 20th 1719 for Choyce of Jurors for an Especiall Court of assise

Major Lathrop Moderator of sd meeting At A Town meeting held at Plimouth on ye 20th of July 1719 for ye Choyce of Jurors ffor an Especial Court of assise to be holden att sd plimouth on July 22d 1719 The Grand Jurors Chosen at sd Town meeting are Charles Little Capt Josiah ffiney Capt Epraim Morton Mr John Stirtevant

The Jury for Tryals chosen at sd Town meeting are Ser John Churchell Lemuel Drew John Bradford Ju Samuel Kempton Joseph King and Samuel Nelson

[21.]

Town Rate

Capt Warren Chose Moderator of sd meting Att a Town Meeting held at Plymouth august 31 1719 For The Rasing of money To Defray nessary Charges In sd Town for This Prasent year at sd meting

This Bill of Charge following Was Publickly Red in Town Meting and voted as followeth (viz)

Imprimis To The Representative	\$10.00.00
To The assesers	03.00.00
To the Chouls	40.00.00
To Major Bradford for Repare-	
ing The Ways	15.00.00
To the Poore	05.00.00
To The Select Men for Laying	
out the Way at agawame	05.00.00
Totel	83.00.00

Jures Chosen At so meeting The Jurers Chose To serve September next ensuing Ware Elezer Churchel William Bradford sen and Simon Lazel

> At a Town Meting held at Plymouth on the 12 February 17010/11 for and In Consideration of The sum of five Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six Penc Well and Trewly Pade By Thomas Doty of Plymouth unto Mr John Watson Town Trasur for The Eus of sd Town The Town hath given granted Bargained and sold Made over and Confirmed unto him The sd Thomas Doty and To his hares and asines forever Three acres and Three garters of Land Lying in sd Plymouth The bounds are as followeth october The 10 1716 Lad out By us The Subscribers unto Thomas Doty Three acres and Three quarters of Land Lying in Plymouth and Is Bounded as followeth (viz) from a stone set into The grownd In Samuell harlows Range and Thence southwest by sd Dotys other Land 31 Pole To The Southerly Corner of sd Dotys Land and Thence West 11 Degres southerly

Thos Dotys
Three acres
and 3 qurters
of Land

Leaving a Way of Two Pole Wide Betwen The sd Land and the Land of John Faunce 39 Pole To a hep of stones on The side of a hill and Thence West 28 degrees southerly 19 pole To a hep of stones in The Valy and Thence north 16 degres Westerle 19 pole and a half To The southerly Corner of Samuell harlows Land and Thence By sd harlows Land To The Stown First mesioned - Note That Thare Is The. hucklebery swamp Containing about an acre and a qarter Which is not masured With In The Three acres and Three garters aBove sd-Note allso That Thare Is a high Wav Reserved Threw sd Land Threw gates or bars on the Esterly side from The Land of the above sd Samuell harlow To The above Mentioned Way for parsons to Travel In The Winter seson When The snow Leys in drefts

> Nathane<sup>11</sup> Thomas Beniamine Warren

[22.]
Town Meeting
Desember
14 1719
Jurors Chosen

At A Town Meting held at plimouth Desember 14 1719 for the Choyce of Jurors and other Town buisnes the Jurors Chosen were Stephen Churchill Jonathan Ames and Wrastle Bruster.

voted to make a bredg at Agawam River Att this Meeting the Town voated to be at the Charge to build a Cart Way over Agawame River on ye road there latly laid forth by ye selectmen for A Kings high Way and Chose Capt Benjamin Warren to Agree with some person or persons to build sd Bredg at ye sd towns Charge

The Towns voat about the mill

At This Meeting ye Town voated That With reference to ye grist mill in sd town being gon too much to Decay & out of repaire as not being sutable to Doe ye Town Work in aney measur Well but Jenerall complaint by the Inhabitants of sd Town that they Were much Wronged by ye ill grinding of their Corne Then ye Town voated yt if the owners

of sd mill Will make sutable provision that ye sd mill may be repaired by ye next Town Meeting or in some way that ye Work may be Done in some short Time but if Delayed and noe Effectual Care be taken by that Time Then the Town Will give liberty to some person or persons to sett up a mill to Doe ye Town Work

Watch house At this meeting The Selectmen are ordered to make sale of the Watch hous

John Drews Garden plat at little Town

A garden plat or house lot laid out by us Whose names are subscribed upon ye fourtenth Day of December 1719 Begining At A stake & heape of stones Which stands neere Samuel Dunhams ffence from Thence East: 18: Degrees south About: 23: roods to A Rock and stone sett in ye ground from Thence south: 18: Degrees West about Eight Rods to a Rock and a heape of stones on ye side of A hill and from Thence West: 18: Degrees North: 25: Rods to A stake and heape of stones by ye Way That leads into the Woods and Then by sd Way till it Coms to ye bounds first mentioned The above Bounded lot or Garden plat lyeth at little Town Within ye Township of plimouth is laid out to John Drew of sd plimouth

Benjamin Warren
Abiall Shurtlef
John Dyer

Surveiors

A settlement of ye bounds of lands at obery Wee The subscribers Being mett Together in order to The renewing and settling of the Bounds of our severall lands at obery Within the Township of plimouth on ye 14<sup>th</sup> Day of Desember 1719 And We proceeded as ffolloweth The bounds betwen the Widow hannah Morton & Serjeant John Churchill We began at A Stake and heape of stons Which is ye sd Churchils Easterly Corner bounds neere the heads of lots and from thence southwest: 2: Degrees southerly to a stump & heape of stones Which is a corner

bounds of the land Betwen ye sd John Churchill and Eleazar Churchill and from Thence Northwest: 2: Degrees northerly to a stake & heape of stones Which is ye sd Eleazar Churchels northerly corner Bounds

The Bounds betwen Eleazar Churchill and Widow hannah morton we Began at ye aforsd stump & heape of stones from Thence southwest: 2: Degrees southerly Twenty Eight rods and about ten foot to a heape of stones about three rods & a half To The southward of obery rock and from Thence northwest: 2: Degrees northerly to A White oake tree marked on: 4: sides Which is ye sd Eleazar Churchels southwest corner bounds and is ye bounds betwen ye sd Eleazar Churchill and John Drew Extends northeast five Degres Easterly to A stake and heape of stones standing in ye rainge betwen sd sart John Churchill and Eleazar Churchil & John Drew and from Thence ye line betwen ye sd sarg John Churchill and John Drew Extends northwest 2 Degres northerly to a stake and a heape of stones in a valle or bottom and from thence ye line betwen ye sd serjant John Churchill and

[23.] John Drew Extends northwest: 14: Degree northerly To a stake and a heape of stones upon ye redge Which is the corner Bounds betwen them and from Thence ye so John Drews line Extends West Eleven Degrees southerly till it coms to a heape of stones about two rods to ye southard of a grat rock and from thence ye line Extends south Thirty Degrees Easterly to a heape of stones in A Bottom and from Thence ye line to Extends East Twelve Degres southerly unto a a small White oake tree marked on: 4: sides ffrom ye aforesd stake and heape of stones upon ye redge The sd John Churchels line Extends Northeasterly till it coms to Samuel Dunhams East corner bounds of his garden platt and then by sd Dunhams and John Drews garden plat about Twenty two rods till it coms to a stone sett in ye ground Which is ye Easterly corner bounds of ye sd Drews garden plat and from Thence ve sd John Churchils line Extends East : 18: Degrees southerly unto a heape of stones lying in ye rainge of Samuel Dunhams land and from thence ye line Extends southeast betwen ye sd John Churchell and Samuel Dunham till it coms to a heape of stones Which is ye sd Dunhams southerly corner bounds and from Thence northeast Eight Degrees Easterly to a

White oake tree marked on: 4: sides and from sd tree to the fence upon ye same rainge and Wee The Above named John Churchill John Drew Hannah Morton & Samuel Dunham for ye confirmation hereof have herunto set our hands and seals on ye Day and yeare first above Written

John Churchill a seale O
John Drew his mark I & sele O
Eleazar Churchill a seal O
Hannah Mortons X & seal O
Samuel Dunham seal O

Signed sealed and Delivered In presence of Lemuel Drew and John harlow

Samuel Dunhams Garden plat or house lot A Garden plat or house lot laid out by us the subscribers ffor Samuel Dunham of Plimouth laid out on ye fourtenth Day of Desember 1719 begining at a stake and heape of stones Which is the Westerly Corner Bounds of John Drews garden spot or house lot from Thence East Eighten Degrees south about fourten rods to a Rock and a heape of stones from Thence south Eighten Degrees West About Twenty five rod to a little flatt Rock and a heape of stones upon a redge of the hill ffrom Thence north Eighten Degrees West to ye Corner bounds of sd Drews lot or garden plat from Thence West Eighten Degrees north by ye sd Drews lot to ye bounds first mentioned

Benjamin Warren
Abiall Shurtlef
John Dyer

Surveiors

Capt Warren Chose Moderator Town Meeting held at plimouth february 22<sup>d</sup> 1719-20 At A Town meeting held at plimouth on the 22<sup>d</sup> Day of ffebruary 1719/20 for the Choyce of The Grand Jury for the yeare Ensuing and for ye Jury of Tryals on the first of March The Grand Jurs are Josiah Morton Joshua Bramhall and Elisha Bradford The Jury for Tryals are Nathaniel Jackson Eleazar Churchill and Joseph Mitchel

[24.]

Town Meeting March 28<sup>th</sup> 1720 town officers

At a Town meeting held at Plimouth March 28th 1720 for the Choyce of Town officers for sd yeare Capt Benjamin Warren Chosen Moderator Thomas ffaunce Chosen Town Clerk and sworn by Esq Josiah Cotton Justice of the peace in sd Town meeting at this meeting It was voated To chose five selectmen to serve The Town ye following yeare Which as ffolloweth (viz) Major John Bradford Capt Dyer Capt Warren Deacon John ffoster and Abial Shurtlef The Assessors Chosen for the year are Capt John Dyer Capt Warren and Charles Little; It was voated to chose one Cunstabl in ye North precinct Which Was Joseph holmes senior The Cunstable Chosen for ye southern precinct are Samuel Nelson and John ffaunce Jun Major John Bradford Chose Surveior of the Town for to repaire The high Wayes for ye year Ensuing

voated to Chose the Tithingmen by nomination Which are William Bradford sen Thomas Clarke son of William Clarke Deceased Samuel Kempton and Samuel Bates Esqu John Watson Chose Town Treasuror ffence vewers Chosen are Ebenezar holmes Girshom Bradford Deacon John Wood James Barnebe and Thomas Clark Deacons surveiours of Timber bords planks shingle and any other lumber to be veweyed by vewers according to law Are Capt John Dyer William Bradford Jun and Ichabod Standish

Simon Lazel Chosen sealer of leather

The feild Drivers Chosen are Robert Cushman Tho Howland John harlow Joseph Warren William Dunham and Benjamin Rider

The Cullers of fish are Eleazar Morton & Stephen Churchill

The hog Cunstables Nathaniel Jackson John Barnes William Bradford Ju and Elkana Churchill

Jurors Chosen for to serve at ye Superior Cort in aprill next The Grand Jurors Chosen at This meeting are Capt Dyer & Mr John Mordock
The pety Jurors are Charls Little Deacon foster
Abiall Shurtlif and James Barnes

At This meetin it was voated That ye Cunstables shold give Warning of Town meetNotice of town meetings

ings by seting up notifications therof in sundrey places in ye Town That is to say at ye meeting house in the north precinct at the Court house at ye scoole house at ye Ele River & at Gools mill at the Manomet pond

Dogs

The Town made Choice of Major Lathrop Capt Dyer & John Watson Esqu a comitty to Draw up some thing to propose to the Town the next Town meeting relating to lathers and making or Dors about Dogs

Town Meeting May 9<sup>th</sup> 1720 At a Town meeting held at plimonth on ye 9th of May 1720 ffor the Choyce of a Representative & other Town bisnes Capt Warren Moderator Deacon John foster Chose by ye Town their Representative for ye yere Insuing

Pety Jurors Chosen to serve in June next are Left Josiah finney David Bradford and John Cooke

Mr Cotton Major Lathrop & Abiall Shurtlef Chosen a comitty to serch ye records relating to ye land lately sold to Robert bartlet Deceased at Wellensly point

At This meeting The Comitty That were Chosen ye 28th of March to consider and propose some method for The Town to act on relating to laders and Dogs in ye Town gave in some thing of their Thoughts to ye Town at this meting Which is as followeth We the subscribers being Chosen a comitty to consider upon some method how Every Dweling house in the Town of plimouth shold be provided With sutable lathers to their houses and haveing considered theron We think it will be much for the safty and advantag of such of the Inhabitants of the Town That have aney buildings in sd Town or aney others that have aney buildings (viz) That Every Dweling house in ye Town yt hath aney fameley or more shall be well provided With a sutable ladder at or before the first Day of November next Ensuing this Date at The Charge of the owners of sd houses and if aney person or persons shall neglect to provid ladders Within the Time abovesd Then he or they shall pay The sum of Twenty shillings to be Imployed to ye use of The Town aforsd ye sd forfiture to be added to his Town rate & also that there be A Comitty Chosen to see That

[25.]
The Commity
Chosen Charles
Little John Bradford Ju
Eben Cobb Major
Lathrop Capt Dyer
Deacon John ffoster
John Churchill Capt
Warren Deacon Clarke
Joseph Silvester

Every house be provided with ladders accordingly and upon the retern of so comitty or aney Two of them To the assesors ye so assesors shall add the fforfitor To Their Town rate of those that are Defective as aboves Exceping agawame out of this Town act

At This meeting it Was voted that all publications for marriages for the future may be posted up in the meeting house & on ye little pillar under The gallerey at ye northeast End of The meeting house

Town meeting
June 20th 1720
Josiah Cotton
Esquir Chosen
Moderator
Capt John
Dyer Chose
Moderator
at ye Town
meting
September 5th

At a Town meting held att plimouth on ye 20th of June 1720 for choyce of Representative Deacon John ffoster Was againe Chosen Representative by a very Eunanomos voat of the Inhabitants There mett upon Due Warning given At A Town meting held at plimouth September 5th 1720 for ye choyce of Jurors and for to raise money to Defray nesesary Charges in sd Town The Jurors Chosen are Return Wait Jacob Cooke

September 5<sup>th</sup> 1720

Here followeth an account of what money is nesesary to be raised this yeare to Defray The nesasary Charge in the Town and being publickly red in open Town meeting was voated to be raised by vote upon the Inhabitants of plimouth Township

Junor and Joseph Churchell

Imprimis To the Schools	65.00.00
To the Representative	15.00.00
To the poore	10.00.00
To Agawame Bridge	15.00.00
To Major Bradford for the high Wayes	15.00.00
To The Assesors	6.00.00
To Mr Watson for Comissions	4.00.00
To the Town Bredge	6.00.00
To the looking after the Taverns	2.00.00

143 pound

ministry lands At this meeting The Town mad Choyce of Major Lathrop Capt Warren and Deacon foster or aney Two of them to settle the bounds of the ministry lot of meadow at the high pines and also to settle the bounds of the sedge land in the Town pond and the ministry house lot

Town Meeting November 28<sup>th</sup> 1720 John Watson Esq Moderator of sd meeting At a Town meeting held at plimouth November 28<sup>th</sup> 1720 for Choyce of Jurors to serve in Decembe Court Josiah Carver Lemuel Drew & Eben Dogget

At This meeting Major Isaac Lathrop & Capt Benjamin Warren Were Chosen & Apointed by the Town in sd Towns behalf as sd Towns Agents & Trustees to fix bounderys and signe Deeds of partition betwen the meadow land belonging to ve ministrey of sd plimouth and Samuel harlows meadow land at the high pines and it Was further voated that ye Comitty Chosen to settle ye bounds of the parsonage land be continued untill they have perfected what was committed to their trust in the Towns behalf

Ministry meadow

## [26.]

A Town meeting on ye first of March  $170^{21}/_{20}$  for choyce of Town officers for ye year Ensu and adjorned to the last Munday of the month at Ten of ye Clock

At A Town meeting held at Plimouth on ye first Day of March 17021/20 for the Choyce of Town officers for ye yeare Insuing Major Lathrop Chose Moderator of sd meting Tho: ffaunce Chose Town Clerk and sworn by John Watson Esqur Selectmen Chosen are Capt John Dyer Deacon John ffoster James Barnebe Charls Little & John Bradford Ju The Grand Jury Joseph Silvester Eleazar Churchill & Jacob Cooke The Cunstable are haverland Tory Caleb Studson and Elisha holmes he hiring Samuel Nelson to serve in his roome Was accepted by ye Town by their voat

The Tithingmen Chosen are Timothy Morton Israel fferren Benjamin Sampson and John harlow sealler of leather is Simon Lazel Cullers of fish is Stephen Churchell & Eleazar Morton Major Bradford Chosen surveir generall of the Town John Watson Esq Chosen Town Treasurer The Cullers of lumber of all sorts brought to a market are Capt John Dyer William Bradford Juni and Seth Chittman

ffence vewers are Ephraim Bradford Bennijah prat Thomas holmes John Barns Joseph Bartlet Deacon Wood and Thomas Bartlet

At a Town meeting held at plimouth on the 27 Day of March 1721 by an adjurnment from ye first Day of March to ye sd 27th 1721

At This meeting The Town made choyce of Simon Lazel to serve in ofice of a cunstable In the rome of Haverland Tory being Chosen to serve in ve office of a Cunstable but refusing to serve ye Town in that office and Chose Joseph Silvester to proscut ye sd Tory for his refusal The sd Lazel hired Samuel Nelson To serve in his rome and the Town voated Theire acceptance of sd Nelson to serve in sd Lazels rome Then proceded to assesors To make the Towns Taxes for ye yeare Ensuing Which Were as ffolloweth (viz) Capt John Dyer Capt Benjamin Warren Jame Barnebe & John Bradford Ju Persuant To a law of this province latly Enacted relating to swine The Inhabitants of the Town of plimouth being mett on ye 27th Day of March 1721 and voated to lett The swine run at large for this present yeare being yoaked & Wringed as ye law Directs & proposed sundrey precincts in sd Town in Which sundrey persons should be chosen as ye law Dyrects in Every sd precint To be hog Reeves to Take care yt ye Dyrections & ye law relating to swine may be Duly observed and voated that the persons highest in ye vots in Each precint should serve as hog Reefs for this year The precincts proposed & agred on are as ffolows (viz) from The Town brook to Wellensle brook and from Wellensley to Left finneys and from finneys to Eben holmes and from sd holmeses to Manoment ponds & Samuel bats is Chosen for ye neighbour

Swine

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at Agawame and northerly from ye town brook to Deacon Woods and from sd Woods to Joseph Stirtevants for ye north precinct begining at the northerly part Therof To Take in all above ye Road Way yt goeth To Boston Till it coms to Jons River and Then over ye sd River at Jons River Bredg to Ebenazar Eatons in ye Dividing line and soe to plimton line and ye 2<sup>d</sup> precinct to containe all The remainder of the north precinct in this Town

The names of the persons Chosen in Each precinct to serve as

hog Reives are

Thomas Clarke Ju

Hog Reeves Sergent John Churchell
John Harlow
Thomas Holmes
Jacob Cooke Ju
Nathaniel Jackson
Capt Ephraim Morton
Elisha Studson and
Samuel Bates for
Agawame

[27.] Know all men by These presents That We Benjamin Warren gardian of Nathaniel Morton The son of Nathaniel Morton late of plimouth Deceased of The one party and Thomas Morton of The Town of plimouth of the other part have mutualy Agreed and settled A Dividing line betwen the land of the sd Thomas Morton of plimouth aforsd & The sd Nathaniel of plimouth aforsd as ffoloweth (viz) Begining at a heape of stones neere high Water marke forty rod northwesterly from Josiah Mortons land And from said heape of stones The line betwen Theire lands is southwest five Degrees southerly by a rainge of stones and Wee Doe mutualy Agree That the lands on ye southeast side of sd line to Belong to Nathaniel Morton and the land on ye northwest of sd rainge To Thomas Morton now The line Thus run & The Bounds Thus settled Wee Doe mutualy agree A full settlement of the Bounds of the lots of lands Betwen ye sd Thomas Morton and ye said Nathaniel Morton Their heirs and assignes for Ever Wittnes our hands and seales This Twenty Eight Day of March 1720-21

Benjamin Warren O Thomas Morton O

Signed sealed and
Declared to be their
Joynt agreement
In presence of us
Thomas ffaunce
John ffaunce

Moderator Chosen Capt John Dyer division of province lands Representative At A Town meeting being legaly Warned held at plimouth May 22<sup>d</sup> 1721 The sd Town being Informed that it is Expected by ye Generall Court to know ye mind of the several Towns Within the province concerning Division of province lands A voat being Caled To know ye mind of This Town about The premses By a very general voat they manifested Their Willingnes to have sd land Divded Deacon John ffstoer Chosen Representative for this present yeare.

[28.] At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 12th of ffebruary 17th for and In consideration of ye sum of fiften shillings by Serjant John Churchill of sd plimouth unto John Watson Esq Town Treasurer of sd plimouth for ye use of sd Town Well and Truly paid The Town hath given granted bargained sold made over and confirmed unto him ye sd John Churchill and to his heires and assignes for Ever alsmall gore of land as is laid out and bounded by ye survers of ye Town as in their returne is clearly Described as ffollows

John
Churchells

Plimouth May 7th 1715 Laid out unto Mr John Churchill senior A small gore of land containing an: 108: pole of land lying on ye northeast side of his other land neere obery feild and is bounded by a red oake tree being The bounds betwen ye sd Churchils [land and the land of Joseph Churchill and Thence northeast half a point northerly: 9: pole to a small Rock and Thence north: 22: Degrees Westerly: 6: pole to a heape of stones neere a fence lately made by Eleazar Churchill sen

and by ye sd fence To ye land of ye sd John Churchill and then by ye sd Churchils land to ye Bounds first mentioned

Laid out by us

Nathaniel Thomas Benjamin Warren

Alsoe There is land left for a way from ye land abovesd into ye highway leading to ye Ealriver next to Eliazar Churchills land

Town Meeting Agust 7th 1721 Representatives

At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 7th Day of Agust 1721 Mr Josiah Cotton Esqu Chosen Moderator of sd meeting sd meeting being Warned To Chose a Representative or Representatives to apere for and represent ye Town at ye Grat and Jenerall assembly To be convened held and kept at The Town house at Boston on ye 23d Day of this Instant The Town being legaly Warned and mett on ye Day above mentioned Made Choyce of Two Representatives by a voat of sd Town before they proceded to a Choyce and made Choyce of Mr Josiah Cotton & Deacon John ffoster To serve for and represent ye Town iu ye sd Generall assembly When convened

As also Chose 3 persons to serve on ye Jury of Tryals at ye Inferior Cort in september next The persons Chosen are Thomas Morton Elish Studson & Solomon Silvester

Committe about ye Loan Money At This meeting it Was voated That ye Town Take their part of ye Bank Bills Which is six hundred pounds ffifteen shillings now coming out by vertue of an act of ye Generall Court at Their sessions in March last and That Capt Benjamin Warren Mr John Barnes and Mr Joseph Silvester be a comittee to fetch ye money and the Trustees to let out and Improve sd sum and to call it In or receive it according to ye Dyrections of the Town and That they have reasonable sattisfaction made them for fetching ye sd bills from Boston and be paid or allowed Tenn shillings for letting out and Twenty shillings

for Taking in or receiving Every hundred pounds of sd sum and that ve sd sum of six hundred pounds & fiften shilings be let out at : 6: pe sent per anum to people of this Town upon good Legall Bonds Entered into With surty for one yeare at ye Directions of ye major part of The Comittie or Trustees and ye Incom thereof to be Towards Defraying Town Charges That noe man have Above flifty pounds of ye sd sum or under 25 pounds

Committe about schools

Voated allsoe ye sd meeting yt ye large Committy appointed at ve last meeting of this Town To Draw up proposals about ve Scholes in this Town be further continied and are Desired to prepare somthing in order to lay before ye Town refering to schools at ye next Town meeting

A Way

Laid out for Mr Charles Little near Jones river

[29.] plimouth october 3<sup>d</sup> 1721 We the subscribers Selectmen of the town of plimouth Being Desired to lay out A Way for Mr Charles Little from the rode Way yt leads to Bredgwater Within the Town of plimouth at Jones River to ye sd Littles land and after we vewed ye sd way We laid ye way out to begin at the Road Way that leads to bredgwater about Ten rods to ye Westward from the Corner of Jacob Mitchels land that lyes by sd way that leads Down to ye Mills at Jons River by a small White oake tree & heape of stones yt stands by ye Way sid and from thence to run through Major Bradfords land to ye bredg that is now standing and then over sd bredg and streame or mill pond till it coms to Jacob Mitchels land and from ye sd bredg through ye sd Mitchels land till it coms to a gate that leads into Charls Littels land The sd way to be a conveniant Drift and Cart way Threw gats and Barrs both through Major Bradfords land and Jacob Mitchels land and the sd way to be Where it is now used

> John Dyer John ffoster Selectmen James Barneby

Mr Josiah Cotton Moderator At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 28th of September 1721 at this meeting Mr Joseph Silvester Did in open Town meting refuse to serve ye Town in that office of a Trustee Which he was Chosen to by ye Town on ye 7th of Agust 1721 upon Which The Town made Choyce of Capt John Dyer in his rome and againe Chose sd Warren and Mr John Barnes With Capt Dyer to be a comitty to act according to ye Towns Directions at their meeting agust 7th 1721

Mr Cotton Moderator school Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 3th Day of october 1721 at This meeting it was voated That there shold be but one schoole maintained by ye Town and That shold be A grammer schoole

Capt Warren Moderator At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 23<sup>d</sup> Day of october 1721 The following Account of What money is nessesary to be raised to Defray the Charges of the Town of plimouth in ye yeare 1721 Which was read in open Town meeting and voated

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60.00.00
26.00.00
05.00.00
16.10.00
10.00.00
05.00.00
04.00.00
100 10 00

126.10.00

A grant to Stephen Churchill & others about a bridge at At This meeting it was voated by ye Town That Stephen Churchill Samuel Marshall John Harlow and others have the use and Improvement of the land upon the point on ye north side of the Town pond to Wharffe on Which may be sufficent for A Bredge With a sufficent way straight from the Bredge over The point to the way betwixt Ephraim

the Point by the mouth of ye Town pond

Kemptons and Timothy Mortons<sup>1</sup> land provided They Keepe a Way ffree for all persons to Travel over soe long as They maintaine A Bredge There

[30.] Capt Waren Moderator

At a Town meting held at plimouth December 12th 1721 At ye house of Mr John Barns In order To take ye most proper method for ye safety of ye Town With respect to ye contajon of the small pox A paper was offered to be communicated to ye Town signed by the Worship Josiah Cotton Esq Containing as it was thought sundrey reflecttions upon ye Selectmen & other good gentlemen of ye Town that have before Taken What Care with them lay for ye safety of the Town respecting ye small pox it Was voated That Thanks be given to the Selectmen and all others yt had ben assisting to them for their service in that affare for their Care and paines they have Taken about that affare voated also that sd paper lodg upon file With ye Town Clerk and he to give a copy of it To aney person or persons in sd Town that should Desire it they paying for Copy

Small Pox

At ye Town meeting Desemb 12 1721 The Town considering The present Danger they are under respecting ye smal pox now in ye Town and In Danger of the spreding of it in ye Town it was voated that a Comitty Whose names are under Written Chosen in sd Town to Take Care to prevent soe far as in them lyeth the spreding of sd Destemper in sd Town and to use all proper & prudent methods they can in order to it And the sd Comity shall be in three parts of the Town (viz) namly in ye middle of the Town and at Each End and to act in conjuction With

Small pox

<sup>†</sup> ¹Ephraim Kempton's land is now occupied partially by the stable of John C. Barnes, and Timothy Morton's land is now partially occupied by the coal shed of the Electric Light Company. The way to the bridge was between the two. The bridge was higher up than the present one.

Committe

ye selectmen of the Town upon special ocasions all of them to act together yet ordinaryly a majorety of them in ye remote parts of the have power & athorety to act & Doe Every thing yt may be thought nesesary for The safty of the Town Either as to ye preventing aney farther coming into ye or ye spreding of it The Commity Chosen are
Major Lathrop

Major Lathrop
Capt Warren
Ephraim Morton
Thomas Morton
Caleb Studson
Caleb Cook Junior
Eleazar Morton
Haveland Torey
frances Adams
Stephen Churchil
Samuel Kempton
Nicholas Drew

At a Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 12 Day of March  $170\frac{11}{10}$  ffor and in Consideration of The sum of ffifty shillings By Jonathan Barns of The Town of plimouth in ye County of sd plimouth Within The province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Well and Truly paid unto Mr John Watson Town Treasurer of sd plimouth for The use of sd Town The sd Town hath given granted Bargained made over & By These presents Doe Confirm unto ve sd Jonathan Barns & unto his heires and assignes for Ever A small peace of land as it Was laid out October 10th 1716 by ye surveires here below subscribed October 10th 1716 Laid out by us The subscribers unto Jonathan Barns of plimouth A small peece of land Containing about : 20: pole it is the land betwen the land yt was formerly Mr Jonathan Barnes and the land yt was formerly Richard Willices and it Extends in length from ye lane which leads from The Training Green

Jonathan Barnes Land to ye uper End of Barns medow to the way Which leads over the mouth of Barneses Creack and is : 4: foot below a smal rock which is about : 4: fot southward of the fence

Nathaniel Thomas Benjamin Warren

[31.] At A Town meeting held at plimouth legally Warned generly attended on ye first Day of March Town Meeting 1737 Thomas ffaunce Chos Town Clerk and March first sworn to yt officee by Josiah Cotton Esq Jus-1721/22 tice of peace The Selectmen Chosen Were Josiah Cotton Esqu Moderator five by a Town voat and are as ffoll (viz) of sd meeting Capt Benjamin Warren Deacon John ffoster town officers James Barnebe Capt John Dyer & John **Bradford Junior** 

The Asors for ye yeare Ensuing Chosen are Capt Warren Capt Dyer and Deacon ffoster voated That ther shall be but one Cunstabell Chosen at the meting in the north precint and the highest in ye north precint in nomination & the 2 highest in ye south precint shall be ye custe and William Bradford sen was Chosen Cunstabel in ye north precenct and Stephen Churchell and Haveland Torey in ye south precint but ye sd Torey Declared That he Wold nither serve the Town in That place nor pay a fine for refusing as the law Directs soe the Town mad Choyce of Capt Ephraim Morton To prossecut him for his refusing at the next Cort of qurter sesions Stephen Churchel being Chosen ye other cunstable he hired Sammuel Nelson to serve in his stead and he Declaring it before ye Town ye Town accept by their voat in stead of sd Churchell Major Bradford Chosen for surveior for ye high Wayes The Tithingmen are Jacob Mitchell Eleazar Dunham Thomas Harlow & Jacob Tinkham

Capt John Dyer Chosen Town Treasurer

The Town Chose Major Lathrop John Barns & Charles Little To Eamine The old Tresurs account relating To Town busnis and to Transmit to ye new Treasur The Tows bill & bonds unto Capt Dyer now Chosen The Town Treasurrer

The Town voated to give To Seth Jackson his rate in ye year 1720

and soe the Town meeting Was adjorned untill ye last Munday in ye month of March 1721/22

on ye 26th Day of March 1722 The Inhabitants of The Town mett being an adjornment of the Town meeting from ye first Day of March 1721/22 To ye 26 Day of sd month Mr Josiah Cotton Moderator & made Choyce of fence vewers Which are as ffollows (viz)

Nathaniel Jackson
Joseph Mitchell
Joseph Bartlet
and Joseph Morton
Sealer of leather Chosen Was Thomas Spooner
feild Drivers Chosen Were
Isaac Doty
John Gray
Joshua Bramhall
John Rider
Benjamin Rider and
Thomas Bartlet

At This meeting the Town voated That swine should Swine run at large this present yeare observeing The Derections of the law concerning swine.

Hog Reives Chosen and Their precincts sett as ffollows The north precint Two hog Reaves for the north side all To ye northward of Jons River Wrastling Brusters part and all to ye south side of Jons River to the precint line Robert Cushmans part and from Thenc to Nelsons Brook Thomas Holmes his part from Nelsons Brook to Town Brook Nathaniel Jacksons part from Thence to Welinsly Brook John Riders part from Wellensly brook to Eale Rever Elkana Churchils part and from Eale Rever to the pine hills Thomas Bartles part and from ye pine hills to the ponds John Mays part for Agawame Ebenazar Burge and Nathaniel Chubuck

The hog Reeves chosen are Wrastling Bruster Robert Cushman Tho. holmes Nathaniel Jackson John Rider Elkana Churchill Tho. Bartlet John May Ebenazar Burge and Nath Chubuck

[32.] At a Town meeting held at Plimouth by adjornment on March 26 ye 26<sup>th</sup> of March 1722 voated That ye bonds Be now Drawn With ye surtyes for ye moneys of bonds about ye the mile & half lands Disposed of by The Town

mile & half to be regulated to sunderey persons and That ye so bonds be poved and That Major Lathrop Mr Charles Little and Mr John Barns be a committe To se it Don

At This meeting Ephraim Cole and Mr John Barns Were Chosen to serve at ye Superior Court in aprill next and Capt Ephraim Morton Caleb Studson Nicolas Drew & Judah West Were Chosen to serve on ye Jury of Tryals at sd Superior Court

Nathan Hood 12 acres Indian lands

To all Christian people Before Whom These presents shall come We the subscribers Indians at Teticut ales Cuttootqat on ye East side of Tanton River in The county of plimouth sendeth greeting (viz) That Wheras There is a certaine Tract of land at Catooquot aforsd cituated and granted & allowed to such as shall Dwell or settle on sd lands They upholding ye Worship of God amongst them and there being but few Inhabitants amongst them and land To settle maney more Then is vett There settled There being one Nathan Wood of plimouth Coming to our plantation at Tootqut and Declaring his Willingness to live amongs us We also Willing To show our Kindnes To all such as are Willing to uphold ye Worship of God amongst or with us and haveing vewed The land We the subscribers have agreed That A certaine peece of land containing: 12: acres joyning to the grat river att Catootquot aforsd lying northeast from ye house of Isaac Wanno sd 12 acres shall be to and ffor sd Nathan Hood he living Theare and will also be helpfull to us in upholding the means of grace in our plantation and Doe further Declare That if he or his Children Doe Want more land to Improve and he or they live in an orderly way We the subscribers Declare That we Will sett out and allow land to him or them as they shall have ocasion & There be land to spare Wee the subscribers have this seventh Day of March

sett our hands to This our Declaration in ye year of our Lord Christ 17½% In the sixth yeare of the reign of our soveraign Lord Geoge by The Grace of God of Grat Brittan (E R) King

Signed by us In the presence of These Wittneses
Isaac Wonno
John Simonnon
Benjamin Wannoh
Joseph Secolyn
Wowookantam
Moses Waymbbam
John Wopookquth
Joseph peter
Sam Robon Wokontam

Town Meeting March 26 1722

Nathan Hood leave to sell land

At a Town meeting in plimouth held by adiornment March 26th 1722 Wheras Nathan Hood an Indian belonging To this Town hath sundrey Times petitioned to the Town To grant him librty to sell his land that Came to him from his father neere The grat fresh pond at a place called manoment ponds in plymouth aforsd in order to pay his Debts That he may be suffered to remove to situat where he has the offer of a parcell of land sufficent for his use on free cost The Town Therfor upon the consideration of the sd Nathan Hoods Importunity and the advantag it may be to him Doe voat & grant that ye sd Hood have all the liberty strength & power that the sd Town can invest him with in order to his making a legall conveyance of sd land to aney sutabl man that sees cause to buy

At a Town meeting in plimouth held by adjornment March 26 1722 voted That ye Gramer school in this Town be a movabl school (viz) That it be keept six months in the middle of the Town and Three months at Jons River and three months at Eale River and Manoment ponds in plimouth aforsd To continew for a yeare from This Day and That Capt John Dyer Mr

School

James Barneb Capt Benjamin Warren and Mr Charles Little be a comittie to gett a scholmaster and to settle him in the sd severall parts of the Town

[33.] The six acres of medow formerly granted unto Samuel Dunham at a Town meeting held at plimouth ye 21st of february 1663

Edmond Tilson Was laid out to Edmond Tilson of plimpton June the 23<sup>d</sup> 1719 in a cove neere the lower south medow and is Bounded as ffoloweth (viz) Begining at a pine tree Where the old path Went over betwen sd cove and the lower southmeadows and from Thence Due north to the upland on ye other side and from sd line ye southerly and northerly side are bounded by ye upland: 116: pole Toward ye Westward along sd cove and There Bounded with a stake stuck in ye meadow on ye northerly side and from Thence Due south to Two pine Trees marked on ye southerly side

per mee Isaac Cushman Junior Surveior for The Town of plimpton

At A Town Meeting held at plimouth on ye 14th Day of May 1722

Major Lathrop Moderator of sd meeting At This Meeting Capt John Dyer Was Chosen To represent The Town at ye Grat and Generall assembly at bostorn on ye 29<sup>th</sup> of this Instant month soe for ye Whole yeare

Instant month soe for ye whole yeare

The Jurors Chosen To serve in June next are Frances Curtice Jeremiah Cushin

At a Town meeting held at plimouth September 10th 1722

Major Lathrop Moderator At This meeting The Town Being Warnd in to raise money To Defray nesesary charges in sd Town An account of What moneys is nesessary To be raised to Defray the charges of The Town of plimouth in the yeare 1722

	LSd
To the Representative	18.00.00
To The assesors	6.00.00
To the surviors of the high Wayes	16.00.00

To the poore	10.00.00
To the Treasurers commissions about	3.10.00
To the Towns stock for powder and arms about	30.00.00
	84 00 00

This Bill of charge Was publickly red in open Town meeting and voated to be raised

Jurors Chosen are Gorge Morton Tho. Sponer and Ebenazar Morton

Doctr Laz Le Barron At This Meeting Lazaros Doctor Lebaron Was granted liberty To sett A stabl on the Town Commons to the northward of the meeting and to Take the Direction of the Selectmen as to the Distance of the place from ye meeting house to erect the sd building and to Injoy that priviledg soe long as he sees cause to ceep a stable on sd spot and then to return to the Town

Town Meeting
Desember 3<sup>d</sup>
1722
Major Lathrop
Chose Moderator
Jurors.

At a Town Meeting held at plimouth Desember 3<sup>d</sup> 1722 for choyce of Jurors for Desember Court Which are as follows Josiah Carver

and Eleazar holmes

Lemuel Drew

## [34.] November 6th 1722

Town Bounds Between Sandwich & Plymouth The We Benjamin Warren & John Bradford Junior Two of the Selectmen of plimouth and we Girah Swift & Eliakim Tuper Selectmen of the Town Sandwich all mett together to know ye bounds betwen the sd Towns from the picket Clift and the Red Brook and accordingly we did as formerly as Witness our hands

Benjamin Warren John Bradford Jerah Swift Eliakim Tuper

Town Meeting ffebruary 18 17<sup>22</sup>/<sub>23</sub>

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of ffebruary 1722/3 ffor The Choyce of Grand Jurors ffor ye yeare Ensuing Which are Deacon John Wood

Thomas Sponer & John ffaunce.

The Jury of Tryals Nathaniel Thomas Joseph Warren and James Warren

3 schools 1 year At This meeting It was voated by ye Town That There be three scholes Erected in ye Town This yeare That is to say A Gramer school in ye middle of ye Town and A Reading & Writing Schole at Jons River and a Reading & Writing schole At the Eale River one half The yeare and at Manoment ponds the other half the yeare To be suported by ye Town as They Were in the yeare 1720

It was voated also That Mr John Watson Esq Capt John Dyer Mr John Murdock John Bradford and Capt Ephraim Morton to be a Commitie To provid sutabl Instruments to keepe sd schools and to agree with Them at as reasonabl a rate as They can for the yeare Ensuing Which is to begin on The 26 of March 1723 or on ye Eleventh of Aprill for then Mr Angers yeare will be ended

Mr Anger teacher

> It was also voated That Capt Warren shold Take care to se The bredge at ye Eal River repaired at the Towns Charge

eelriver bridge

May 12<sup>th</sup> on 1722. Then a settlement of the Bounds Between us the subscribers of our Land at Rockey hill as folows Begining at a heap of stones in Thomas Clarks Westerly Corner Between him & James Clark and from said heap of stones the Line Extends north 32 Degrees Easterly 44 Rodds To a heap of stones and from thence North 10 Degrees Easterly by Ranges Mark Till it comes To the salt sea the Bounds so run & settled shall stand & Remane a full settlement of the Bounds Between us and our heires and assigns for Ever Thomas Clark on the Easterly side and Thomas Harlow on the west.

Thomas Clark Jun and Thos Harlow Bounds

As Witness our hands

Thomas Clark Jun<sup>r</sup> Thomas Harlow [35.] At A Town meting held at plimouth on ye 18th of March 1722/3 for ye choyce of Town officers for

Town Meeting March 18<sup>th</sup> 1722

The Selectmen

The yeare Ensuing Major Lathrop Chosen Moderator and Thomas ffaunce Chosen Town Clerk The Selectmen chosen are Capt John Dyer Capt Benjamin Warren Deacon John ffoster James Barneb & Josiah Morton

The assers for the yeare are Capt Dyer Capt Warren and John Bradford Ju

Capt Dyer Town Treasurer

Curstabls

The Cunstables voted to be three in ye Town Which Ephraim Bradford Joseph Morton and Timothy Morton but ye Town voated To accept of Samuel Nelson to serve in his roome iu ye Constabls office in sd Mortons roome ye Town voted yt there shold on Cunstabl Within The North precinct

Tithing men

The Tithing men are Joseph Mitchel Joshua Bramhal Nicholas Drew & Joseph Bartlet ffence vewers Benijah Pratt Ebenazar holmes Thomas Holmes John Barns Deacon John Wood Eleazar holmes Jacob Mitchel, heaverland Torey sealer of leather

Surveiors for ye high Wayes The surveiors ffor The high Wayes are Capt Morton Deacon ffoster Deacon Clark & William Bradford Junior They are to bring in an Account to ye Town to be paid by ye Town Voted That the Swne shall be confined for ye yeare Ensuing.

hog Reives

The hog Reaves are Joshua Bramhal John Cooke Capt Morton Ben: pratt William Bradford senior Ebenezar Cobb Eleazar Churchill & Samuel Bates voted That ye Selectmen are to sett their precints of the hog Reaves

ffeild Drivers

The feild Drivers are William Comer Josiah Sturtevant Joseph Warren & James Clarke Ju & Stephen Churchill Cullers of fish Eleazar Morton and Stephen Churchill

## PLYMOUTH RECORDS.

A comittee Chos To vew Jones River Bredg Voated That Major Lathrop Capt Little and John Barns Do vew Jons River Bridg in order To make some reparation Therof and make report at The next Town Meeting.

Town Meeting for Choyce of Jurors for ye superior Court At a Town meeting held at plimouth Aprill 15th 1723 Major Lathrop Moderator at sd meeting Capt John dyer and Thomas Morton Were Chosen for the Grand Inquest and Deacon John ffoster Charls Little Jacob Mitchel & James Barnebe Chosen to serve on ye Jury of Tryals at ye Superior Court on ye last Tusday of April Instant

Jones River Bredge With reference to Jons River Bredges reparation it was voted That Deacon John ffoster and John Bradford Juner be A Comittie To Take care for ye reperation of sd Bredg Acording to ye Determination of ye last Comity in order to be repared

Beach

voted That Major Lathrop Capt Dyer and James Barnebe be a comitie To Treate With ye owners of ye Beach To prent Their Cattle going on sd beach which Will Indainger ye ruen of the harbor by ye sea breking over ye beach also That Deacon ffoster Stephen Churchell James Barnebe and Josha Bramhall Take care To preven The stroy of the fish in ye Town brook

alewives

[36.]

Town Meeting May 13 1723 At A Town meeting held at plimouth on ye 13<sup>th</sup> of May 1723 for ye Choyce of A Representative for sd yeare Capt Benjamin Warren Moderator At A Meeting Capt John Dyer was chosen by ye Inhabitants To be their Representative for ye yeare Ensuing Capt Dyer Then being Abroad and upon his being notifyed refused sd service

Jurors Chosen to serve at June Court next are Simon Lazell James Shurtlef & Return Waite Major Lathrop Moderator Representative Town meeting on The 13th of May 1723 The Inhabitants of The Town meet on Due Warning given and made Choyce of Josiah Cotton Eq to be their Representative for The following yeare and voated to give sd Cotton five shillings pr Day for his service at ye Generall Court During The Time he is Improved in the Town service Therin

Major Lathrop Moderator At a Town meeting held at plimouth on The 2<sup>d</sup> Day of september 1723 for the raising money To Defray nesesary Charges in The Town for ye ffolloing yeare At sd meeting The ffollowing Bill of Charge Was Drawn up and publickly read allowed and voated by ye Town

The particulars are as ffolows

		L S d
	Imprimis To The Representative	25.00.00
	To keeping The high Wayes in re-	
Town	pare	18.00.00
Meeting	To The schools	50.00.00
Septembe 2d	To Manoment ponds Towards a min-	
1723	ister in ye Winter season	-00.00
•	To The assers and other Charges	10.00.00
	Towards The County Rate	16.00.00
		119.00.00

The Jurors Chosen at sd meeting are Joseph Silvester Haverland Torey & Joseph King

Eel River Bredge At This meeting Capt John Dyer was Chosen apointed and Desired to acquaint ye Cort at Barnstable of Their part of The Charges That ariseth upon The reparation of Eale River Bredg It was also voated That Major Lathrop Capt John Dyer Capt Warren Deacon John ffoster & Insign James Barnebe be a committee & That all of Them or the Major part of Them shall have power To settle The line betwixt particular prsons and ye Town and to remove ffences or building Where aney person or

Committee about the high ways or Towns Land

persons have Incroached on ye high ways or aney of The Towns land or to procecut him or Them in ye law or to remove aney Incumbrances as according to The Direction of ye law and The Town to pay The Charge That may arrise therupon

voted That The selectmen Doe Draw a list of the names of such of the Inhabitant of the Town That are quallefied according to law to voat in Town meetings in order to present at the next Town meeting to Indever to Com into a method for more Jeneral attendance on ym when legaly Warnd thereunto

list of voters

· [37.] At A Town meeting held at Plymouth on the second day Town Meeting March 2d 1723/4

of March 1723/4 At the sd meeting the Town made choise of John Dyer to be their Clerk for ye year Ensuing and was sworn to the fathfall discharge of his office

Grand & petit Jurors

The Grand Jurors Chosen for the year are Samuel Donham Joseph King & Elisha stetson The Persons Chosen for the Jury of Tryals this March sessions are Thomas Holmes Stephen Churchell and Jabez Shurtleff

voted That there be five Selectmen Three in the midle part of the Town and one at each End. The Names of the persons are as followeth Deacon John Foster James Barnebe John Bradford Junor Josiah Morton and John Dyer

Assessors

The Assessors chosen are Capt Benjamin Warren John Bradford Jun<sup>r</sup> & John Dyer voted that there be four Constables within the

Town of Plymouth one at the North Precinct and one within the Limits of Agawam & Two in the remaining part of ye Town and the highest in the votes within each part of the Town to be ye Constables for the Ensuing year Haviland Torry James Warren Israel Bradford & Israel Ferring were chosen Constables and Haviland Torry declared his refusal to serve and paid down five pounds in Provence Bills of credit to John Dyer Town Treasurer and James Warren Refused to serve and paid down five pounds to ye sd John Dyer voted that there be

Constables

two Constables more chosen in the Town the North Precinct Exempted and Agawam was also Exempted there being Constables already Chosen within the Limits of those parts of ye Town. The Town proceeded on a New choice for Two Constables & chose Nicholas Drew and Eleazar Churchell and the said Eleazar Churchell refused to serve and paid down five pounds to the sd John Dyer. The Town proceeded on a New choice & chose John Harlow. Nicholas Drew refused to serve & paid down five pounds to ye sd John Dyer and the Town again proceeded on a New choice and the Town made choice of Mr Robert Brown

Town Meeting Adjorned

Voted that the Town Meeting shold be adjorned to the Last munday of this Instant March and it was accordingly adjorned by the Mederator

vacancy of a Selectman & Assesor chosen Constable

At an adjornment of the Town Meeting from the second day of March 1723/4 to the Last Munday in March Instant. There being a vacancy of one of the Selectmen by the decease of Mr John Bradford Jun'r. The Town proceeded on a New choice and Chose Mr Jacob Mitchell to be a Selectman and an Assessor in the room of Mr John Bradford deceased

Wheras Mr Robert Brown being chose Constable and he haveing hired John Harlow to serve in his room the Town voted their acceptance of the sd John Harlow to serve as Constable in the room of the sd Robert Brown

Highways

surveyors of

The Highways farmed out

Highways

Voted that the Highways in the Town should be farmed out & kept in repair for the year Ensu-Voted that John Gray and Josiah Morton be surveiors of the highways for the year Ensuing and the sd John Gray and Josiah Morton have agreed with ye Town to keep the Highways in repair for the Ensuing year and they are to Enter into Bonds to keep the ways in repair according to the Direction of the Law and it is voted that they the sd John Gray and Josiah Morton shall

have twelve pence per head for Every Ratable Pole that is Rated in the Town Rate to be paid out of the Town Treasury The Tythingmen are Tythingmen Simon Lazell Ebenezer Curtis Samuel Foster Beneiah Pratt & Samuel Baites

The Fence viewers are Mr James Barnebe Fence viewers Benjamin Rider Thomas Bartlett Eleazer Holmes Thomas Holmes Jacob Mitchel and John

Barnes

Feild Drivers The Feild drivers are Ebenezar Holmes Caleb Stetson William Barnes Ebenezar Cob Samuel

Cornish & Nathan Ward

Voted that the Swine shall be kept up this Swine Ensuing year

> The Hog Reves Chosen are Caleb Stetson Faunce Sen<sup>r</sup> John Joseph Mitchell John Sturtevant Jun Joseph Rider George Holmes Thomas Morton Sen<sup>r</sup> John Cooper and Ebenezar

Burges

Town Treasurer Voted that John Dyer be Town Treasurer for the year Ensuing

**[38.]** 

Hog Reves

Voted that the schools shall be under the Schools

same Regulation the year Ensuing as they

John Dyer Jacob Mitchell Ephraim Cole and

were the Last year

Committe The Committe chosen to provide suitable Persons to keep said schools are John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> Jacob Mitchel John Dyer Capt Warren

& Mr John Murdock\*

Jurors for ye The Jurors Chosen for the Superior Court to be holden at Plymouth on the Last tuesday of Superior Court April next. The Grand Jurors are Mr James Barnebe & Mr John Barnes The persons chosen for ve Jury of Tryals at sd Court are

John Faunce

Herrings Voted That Stephen Churchell Joshua Bramhall & Haveland Torrey do take care to prevent the destroying of the Herrings in the Town

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Brooke & that there be suitable provision made for their going up at the Mill Dams

Moderator Representative At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on the Twentieth day of May 1724.—At sd Meeting the Town made choice of Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> to be Moderator

At sd Meeting the Town made choice of Decon John Foster to be Representative for this year

At the said Meeting it was moved to the Town to take a valuation of the Town Estate and after some considerable dispute the vote was called whether there should be any valuation taken or no. And the vote passed in the Negative.

Jurors for June Court At the said Meeting the Town made choice of Jurymen to serve on the Jury of Tryals the next quarter sessions in June next. The persons chosen are Eleazer Morton Samuel Bartlett and Ebenezer Morton.

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the  $21^{th}$  of March  $17^{10}/_{11}$ 

About one acre of Land belonging to William Followell

For and in Consideration of the sum of fifteen shillings by William Followell of sd Plymouth unto John Watson Town Treasurer of said Plymouth well and truely paid for the use of ye sd Town The sd Town hath given Granted Bargained sold made over and confirmed unto him the said William Followell and unto his heires and Assignes for ever about one acre of Land Lying being and bounded as follows February 8th 1711. Laid out by us the subscribers unto William Followell about one acre of Land lying on the westward side of his meadow near Stephen Totmans & is bounded from the northwest corner of said Followays meadow fence near West about nine pole to a heap of stones thence South and by East about Twenty Pole to a heap of stones standing Square with the North side of sd Totmans Land and thence on a straight Line by said Totmans Land down to sd Followays fence and thence by sd Followays fence to the Northwest corner thereof first mentioned.

James Warren

James Warren Nathaniel Thomas

At a Town meeting held at Plymouth on the  $21^{th}$  of March  $17^{10}/_{11}$ 

The four Acres of Land belonging to William Followell

For and in Consideration of the sum of Three pounds and four shillings by William Followell of sd Plymouth unto John Watson Town Treasurer of sd Plymouth well and truely paid for the use of the sd Town The sd Town hath Given granted Bargained sold made over and Confirmed unto him the sd William Followell and unto his heirs and assignes for Ever four acres of Land Lying being and bounded as follows, October 18th 1712. Laid out unto William Followay by us the subscribers four acres of Land lying between the Land of Samuel King and the Land belonging to the Ministry and is bounded with a walnut bush with stones about it in the range of ye said Ministry Land being the Northerly corner bounds of Land lately layd out to Ephraim Cole & thence South East by sd Coles range Therty Two pole to the Westerly corner bound of the Land of sd King & thence near North East by sd Kings Land about Therty five pole to the Land lately laid out to James Warren Esqr and thence Westerly by sd Warrens Land to the Easterly side of the said Ministry Land & thence by the sd Ministry Land to the bounds first mentioned Reserving ways through sd Land where they may be wanted

James Warren Nathaniel Thomas

[39.] Three acres of meadow was granted to John Doten Deceased at New Meadows and it was not there to be had therefore Laid out to his son Isaac Doty at John Doten

Dotys meadows in swampy Land bounded as follows begining at a stake set into the ground at the Isaac Doty

corner of Isaac Dotys ditch thence the Line Ex-

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tends west 28 rods to a White oak tree marked on 4 sides thence south 20 rods to a maple tree marked on 4 sides and thence the line Extends East 28 Rods to a Red oak tree marked on 4 sides and thence North to the bounds first mentioned

> John Bradford Benjamin Warren Surveiors

March 21 17 11/12

Town Meeting Aug<sup>t</sup> 31<sup>th</sup> At a Town meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on the Thirty first day of August 1724 a Bill of what was is necessary to be raised to defray the Town charges for the year 1724 was Read

Towards the schools	34.00.00
To the Representative about	20.00.00
To defray the Town Charges about	19.00.00
To the Assessors about	4.00.00
	77.00.00
	11.00.00

Jurors for Sep<sup>n</sup> Court Voated at said Meeting that the above account of Seventy Seven pounds should be raised & assessed on the Inhabitants of sd Town to defray the Town charge The Jurors Chosen to serve at the quarter Sessions on the third tuesday of September next are Thomas Faunce Jun Solomon Silvester Seth Chipman

Jurors for Dec<sup>r</sup> Court At a Town meeting held at Plymouth in the Meeting House on the Seventh day of December 1724 for the choice of Jurors to serve at the next Inferiour Court to be held at Plymouth on the third Tuesday of December Instant. The Persons Chosen to serve on said Jury are Capt Josiah Carver Capt Thomas Hatch & Ephraim Cole Jun<sup>r</sup>

Wee the Subscribers Ministers of the Gospell do hereby signify that we do aprobate Mr John Sparhawk <sup>1</sup> as a person well Capasi-

Certificate

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> John Sparhawk graduated at Harvard in 1723, and after teaching a short time in Plymouth studied law and settled in Plymouth as an attorney. He owned and occupied the house now owned by A. C. Chandler on Court Street. In 1744 he joined an expedition for the relief of Annapolis, Nova Scotia, and returned wounded and sick, and died in 1748. Benjamin Allen was the pastor of the Bridgewater Church, Joseph Stacy of the Kingston Church, and Nathaniel Leonard the Plymouth pastor.

recommending John Sparhawk as a teacher tated and qualified to teach a Grammer School & accordingly do recommend him to the Town of Plymouth or any other Town where God in his providence shall see Cause to Call him

Dated at Plymouth this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 17 <sup>24</sup>/<sub>5</sub>

Benjamin Allen Nathaniel Leonard Joseph Stacey

Town
Meeting
february
15<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>24</sup>/<sub>5</sub>
Deacon John
Foster Chosen
Moderator

At a Town meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on the fifteenth day of february 17 24/5 The Grand Jurors Chosen for the year are Stephen Churchell Ephraim Kempton & Joseph Mitchell The Jurors Chosen to serve at the Quarter Sessions on the first tuesday of March next are Capt Samuel Drew John Cooke & Robert Finney

John Watson Esqr was chosen an agent to answer ye Towns presentment at ye next quarter Sessions At sd Meeting there was a long debate about a School or Schools and after some time there was a voate called whether they would have three schools & there being a great assembly it was something difficult to distinguish the voate by holding up the hand and it was thereupon ordered by the Moderator that the assembly should withdraw out of the House & then to to Come in & pass by the Clark & declare whether they were for one or three schools and it was voated by a Majority of voates that there should be one school. And there being a great tumult in the meeting and the people difficult to be settled the Moderator therefore adjorned the present meeting to the first day of March next to meet at ten o clock in the forenoon at the usual place of meeting

Town Meeting adjorned

about a School

[40.] At a Town meeting held at Plymouth on the first day of March 172<sup>4</sup>/<sub>5</sub> at the Court House In Plymouth for the Choice of Town officers and Regulateing

Moderator Town Clerk Selectmen & fixing the School The Town proceeded to the Choice of Town officers. Mr Josiah Cotton Esqr chosen Moderator John Dyer chosen Town Clerk & sworn by Josiah Cotton Esqr The Selectmen are Isaac Lothrop Esqr Decon John Foster John Dyer Jacob Mitchell & Josiah Morton

Assessors

Voated that there be five Assessors, and the Assessors Chosen are Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> John Dyer Decon John Foster Jacob Mitchell & Josiah Morton.

Constables

Voated that there be four Constables. The Constables Chosen are William Bradford Sen Nathaniel Thomas Thomas Bartlett and Samuel Baites. And the sd Nathaniel Thomas refused to serve and he paid five pounds. And the Town then proceeded on another choice & choose Samuel Bartlett and there being two Samuel Bartlets in the Town it was uncertain which of sd Bartlets should serve by reason many of the voters declared they Intended Samuel Bartlett Therefore voated that Samuel Bartlett Junr. formerly of Duxberough now in Plymouth should be Excused from serving as Constable this present And the Town proceeded again to another Choice & Choose Samuel Bartlett Jun' to serve as Constable.

Town Treasurer John Dyer was Chosen to be Town Treasurer for the year Ensuing.

Surveyors

Josiah Morton Thomas Holmes & William Cooke Chosen Surveyors of the Highways

The Highways farmed out

Voated that the Selectmen of the Town agree with the Surveyors to mend the Highways within the Town for the term of seven years from this day and that they be paid annually out of The Town Treasury the sum of twelve pence per Head for every Ratable Poll and that the Selectmen take proper Bonds of them concerning the sd affair so as to Indemnify the Town. Bridges to be mended according to Late Agreements.

And then the Town proceeded to manage the affair about the school

The School fixed for 7 years in ye middle of ye Town Voated that the Grammer School (in which also is to be taught Writing Reading & Arethmetick as usual) be kept in the middle of the Town near the Meeting House or Court House from the Twentieth of April next for the space of seven years next coming

Voated that John Watson Esq John Dyer & Mr Haviland Torry be a Committe to provide a suitable Schoolmaster from time to time dureing sd space.

And also at the same time Voated that each end of the Town who for some years past had a Womans School among them be allowed to deduct out of the Town Treasury what they are annually voted or taxed for the Grammer Schoole and no more towards the maintaining a School among themselves. Provided they see cause to keep one

Voated the Town meeting to be adjorned to the  $29^{th}$  of this Instant March  $17^{42}/_5$ 

Adjornment of ye Town Meeting

At an adjornment of the Town meeting from the first day of March 1724/5 to the 29th of March Instant the Inhabitants of sd Town met at the usual place of meeting: At sd meeting Thomas Bartlett appeared and made a plea that he ought not to serve in the place of a Constable this present yeare by Reason that he was at half the Charge in hireing a man to go in the service to the Eastward Last Summer. And the Town voated that the said Thomas Bartlett be Excused to serve in the office of a Constable this present And the Town Proceeded to another choice of a Constable and the Town made choice of Robert Finney to serve in the office of Constable for the Ensuing year

Constable

**Tythingmen** 

The Tythingmen Chosen are Samuell Cornish William Bradford Jun<sup>r</sup> Eleazer Morton Thomas Spooner & Joshua Gibs

Fence viewers feild drivers The Fence viewers Chosen are Thomas Holmes John Barnes Ebenezar Holmes Thomas Clarke Decons Son and Robert Cushman. And the said Persons are Chosen to be feild drivers

Swine

Voated that the swine be kept up this present year Voated that the North part of the Town so far as to Include Mr John Sturtevant & Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> have Liberty to Let their swine run at Large under the regulation of the Law.

Hog Reves

The Hog Reves Chosen are Benjamin Rider Joseph Bartlett Samuel Marshall Elkanah Churchell Jonathan Bryant Inholder Jacob Mitchell Elisha Stetson James Warren and Joseph Warren

Sup<sup>r</sup> Court Grand Jurors The Jurors Chosen for the Superior Court to be holden at Plymouth on the Last tuesday of April next. The Grand Jurors Chosen are John Dyer & Mr John Barnes to serve at sd Court

petty Jurors

The Persons Chosen to serve on the Jury of Tryals at sd Court are Mr Thomas Morton Decon John Wood Mr Jacob Michell & Mr Josiah Morton

[41.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the Tenth day of May 1725 in the Court House for the Choice of a Representative or Representatives for the Ensuing year and to consider upon the North Precincts Petition about their being a Township &c

Moderator

At the sd meeting the Town made choice of Capt Benjamin Warren to be Moderator for the day

Representative

At sd meeting Voated that they would have but one representative for the Ensuing year and the Town made choice of Capt Benjamin Warren to serve & Represent the Town of Plymouth for the Ensuing year

Jurymen for June Sessions

North

The Town proceeded and made choice of Jurymen to serve at the next June sessions whose names are as followeth Francis Adams Robert Brown and Quinten Crymble

And then the Town proceeded to Consider<sup>1</sup> upon the North Precincts Petition relating to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The North Precinct was that in what is now Kingston.

Precinct petitiong about a. Township

Committe

Eleazer
Donham
grant of 30
feet Land
in length
and 20 feet
in wedth

their being a Township and after a long dispute the voate was called whether they would voate ye said Precinct to be a Township according to their Petition and it passed in the Negative.

Voated that Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> and John Dyer be a Committe to give in reasons why the Town was against granting the sd Precinct their Petition to become a Township

Voated that Eleazer Donham shall have Thirty feet of Land in Length and Twenty feet in Wedth at the foot of the Fort Hill above the way at the head of the House Lotts the sd way to be left Twenty feet wide the sd Land is granted to the sd Eleazer Donham and his heirs so Long as they shall keep a Dwelling House theron and the sd Land is to be laid out by the surveyors of the Town.

Voated that the Coppy of the Laying out and turning the Highway over Jones River be recorded

Plymouth October 29th 1708

We whose names are under written being summoned and sworn on a Jury to lay out a New Highway over Jones River: the former Way being Judged not so convenient where it went as if it were turned higher up sd River: Have turned said Way as followeth viz: We turned out of the Old Road upon the Northerly side of Jacob Michells Land by a Red Oak tree marked Westerly to a Red Oak saplin marked, from thence to another Red Oak saplin marked. And still Westerly to a White oak bush and heap of stones and so on a straight Line Eleazer Cushmans Land and across Elkanah Cushmans Land to Bridgewater Road Road to be 40 foot wide and to ly on the Southwesterly side of the aforesd bounds and so along Bridgewater Road to the sd Jones River and over sd River along sd Road to 2 Cedar Posts marked in Jacob Cooks fence and so to an apple tree marked, the

New Way over Jones River

Road to ly on the Easterly side of the sd Posts and Apple tree and along sd Bridgewater Road to a Path which crosses Majr Bradfords Land and leads to Stoney Brook the first mark is a Red Oak bush on Rising Ground the Easterly side of on Road: from thence on a straight line to a Red Oak saplin marked standing on descending Ground near the Land of William Bradford on the Easterly side of sd road from thence to another red Oak Bush on the Westerly side of sd Road near William Bradfords Land and from thence straight to Stoney Brook or rather to a Rock wth stones about it on the southerly side of sd Brook the Road to ly on the Easterly side of sd Rock and from thence through the Land which was Major Bradfords late deceased straight to a White Oak bush marked on riseing Ground sd Road to ly on the Westerly side of sd Bush from thence to a White Oak on high land and from thence to a White oak from thence to a Pine tree near the Parting Ways ye Road to ly on the Westerly side of the Last mentioned Trees: from sd Pine tree for a Road towards Boston We Run down Hill to Mile Brook and from sd Brook to a Pine tree marked from thence to a White Oak tree marked the Road to be on the Westerly side of sd Trees, from thence to another White Oak tree the Road to be on the East side thereof and so to a Red Oak Saplin in the middle of the way: and from thence to a White Oak and from thence straight to a Pine tree marked standing on riseing ground and so to a Pine tree and to another Pine Tree from thence to another Pine Tree and to a Red Oak tree standing by the old Road coming up from Duxberough, the Last mentioned Pines and oak all marked and the Road to ly on the Westerly side of sd trees: The way we laid out to lead to Duxberough begins at the last Pine tree we marked on the Hill before we came to Mile Brook from sd Pine along the Path that now leads into

Duxberough about 20 Rods from thence straight to an oak sapling near a corner of the Dead swamp.

[42.]and from thence on a straight Line to a Red Oake marked in the Land of Jonathan Brewster by the Duxberough old Road. We being appointed to Estimate and make Apprisment of the Damage any Persons may sustaine by Laying out sd Ways do Judge Wm Bradford to be Damnifyed 3 £ for the Going through his Land and Israel Bradford Ephraim Bradford David Bradford and Hesekiah Bradford to be Damnifyed equally among them 27 £ by sd Roads going through their Lands and Elisha Wadsworth to be damnifyed 5s all said Damages to be paid in money at 8s per ounce or Bills of Credit of this Province Michall Ford Edward Thomas Stephen Clap John Rouse William Barstow Nicholas Byram John Hayward his X mark Thomas Tomson John Wadsworth David Perkins John Field Joseph Foord.

The Court do allow approbate and Confirm of the Turning of the way over Jones River where the Jury appointed and sworn to do the same have laid it out and order their Return to be Recorded and order also that the old Bridge over Jones River where the old Way Went be forthwith taken down by the Sheriff being dangerons for Travellers to pass over

A true Copy as appears of Record Examined

per Josiah Cotton Cler

Plymouth s s. On the 3d day of August 1725

Then Measured and laid out by us the subscribers for John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> a peice of land Lying at the Westerly corner of the Training Green, Rainging Westerly from the Southwest corner of the Land Belonging to the Estate of the Reverend Mr Ephraim Little Deceased as the fence now stands about forty five Feet And to extend Back from the Training Green by sd Littles and sd Watsons Lands about Thirty Feet

Isaac Lothrop Benjamin Warren Plymouth August 3<sup>d</sup> 1725. Then Estimated or apprised the above mentioned peice of Land for John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> at Thirty five shillings by us the Subscribers

Isaac Lothrop Benjamin Warren

March 17<sup>10</sup>/<sub>11</sub> for and in Consideration of the sum of one pound and fifteen shillings paid by John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> unto John Dyer Town Treasurer for the use of sd Town. The Town have granted and sold unto the sd John Watson his heirs and assignes for Ever a certain peice of Land Lying at the Westerly corner of the Training Green Rainging Westerly from the Southwest corner of the Land Belonging to the Estate of the Reverend Mr Ephraim Little Deceased as the fence now stands about Forty five Feet, and to Extend back from the Training Green by sd Little and sd

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 2d of

John Watson

Jurors Chosen for September Sessions At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on ye 9th day of August 1725 for the Choice of Jurymen and for the Raiseing of money and other Town business etc. The Jurors chosen to serve on the Jury of Tryals in September Sessions next Ensuing are Thomas Croade Samuel Foster and Timothy Morton.

Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> Chosen Moderator A Bill of what was necessary to be raised on the Town to defray the Town Charges was presented to the Town and read which is as followeth

To the Representative about	20.00.00
To the School about	40.00.00
To the Assessors about	4.00.00
To Keeping the ways in repair	19.00.00
To ye Treasurers Commissions and other uses about	4.00.00

Watsons Lands about Thirty feet.

87.00.00

Voated that sd sum of Eighty Seven pounds shall be raised on the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth to defray the Charges of the Town for this year Highway

Voated That Major Lathrop be an Agent to answer the Towns presentment about a peice of way at the North End of the Town between Joseph Holmes House and Jones River

[43.] petition of South part for money from sale of 1½ mile Commons

At the sd Town meeting before mentioned a Petition of the South part of the Town Relating to the mile and half money about their haveing their proportionable part therof was read and after a long debate thereon the voate was called whether they would grant what they moved for in their petition and it passed in the Negative

Schools

At sd meeting it was moved whether the Inhabitants of the South part of this Town at Ele River and Manument Ponds should have a Reading and writing School among them to be maintained by the Town as it was the last year and some years before to be kept for the space of seven years from the 20th of April last and the money to be drawn yearly out of the Town Treasurie for sd seven years or so long a time as they keep school within the sd seven years Provided that it doth not Exceed 20 £ a year with what they are to draw of their Rates by the voat of the 1st of March Last past. the Negative Voated That Capt Benjamin Warren and Mr Josiah Morton be a Committe to provide a school at Ele River and Manument Ponds from time to time and to draw out of the Town Treasurie what the sd part of the Town pay by way of Rate towards the Grammar School according to ye vote of the first of March Last past

School

At the sd meeting there was a Considerable debate about the mile & half money and at Last it was moved that the defference about ye sd mile & half money between the midle & each End of the Town be left to Indifferent men to be chosen out of Town whether each End shall draw any part of sd money to

School

Committe about the Common Land

Thomas Wetherell maintain a school among themselves and how much. A vote being called it passed in the Negative Voted That the Interest money of the mile & half Land that is already sold or shall be sold be settled to the use & maintenance of a Grammar School within the Town of Plymouth for the use of the whole Town Voated That Capt John Dyer Decon John Foster & Mr Jacob Michell be added to Isaac Lothrop Esqr & Capt Benjamin Warren a former Committe to be all of them a Committe (or any three of them) to view & value the Common Land that several Persons have put in for at the foot of fort hill & Coles Hill & to dispose of sd Lands but so as not to Incomode The persons that buy paying the the ways. money to the Town Treasurer according to the former vote respecting the mile & half Land.

Pursuant to the voate at a Town meeting held at

Plymouth on the 2d day of March 1710/11 For and and in Consideration of the sum of Thirty and five shillings by Thomas Wetherell of sd Plymouth unto John Dyer Town Treasurer of sd Plymouth well and truely paid for the use of the sd Town. The Town hath Given Granted bargained made over and Confirmed unto him the sd Thomas Wetherell & unto his heires & assignes for Ever a certain peice of Land Lying being & bounded as followeth. Plymouth March 26th 1725. Layd out by us the subscribers unto Thomas Wetherell and is bounded as followeth viz: Beginning at the North End of Docter Lebarons stable near the meeting House to the Norward of sd stable to Extend Thirty feet in the front and Twenty feet Back into the hill Leaving Eighteen feet in Wedth Between John Murdocks Barn & the sd Lott, with the priviledge for sd Wetherell To heave out his Dung on the southerly or upper side of sd Lott, Valued at Thirty five shillings.

Isaac Lothrop \ Surveyers Benja: Warren \ & aprizers

[44.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House October 11th 1725 for the Choice of an Agent or Agents to go to Boston to give in Reasons North why ye North Precinct in the Town of Plymouth Precinct should not be made into a Township and why the Prayer of their Petition should not be granted

> The Town proceeded & made choice of Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> to be Moderator

Moderator

At sd meeting Voated that there should be three Agents and that one or two of them should go to Boston to answer to the 3<sup>d</sup> North Precincts petition

The persons chosen for sd Agents are Josiah Cotton Agents Esq<sup>r</sup> John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> and John Dyer

> At sd meeting Ebener Burg put in a petition to be allowed for three & half days work about Egawam Bridge both for man & team at ten shillings pr day it being what other received formerly for work don at the same time Voated that sd Ebenezer Burg shall be paid as above said for three & half days worke.

At a Town meeting held at Plymouth on the 22d day of November 1725

Josiah Cotton Esqr chosen moderator

Jurors for December

The persons Chosen for Jurors for December Court next Ensuing are Jonathan Eames Eleazer Churchell and John Tinkcom

The Petition of the South part of the Town of Plymouth relateing to the Intrest money of the common Land was Read preparitory answers to sd petition was also read

Agents about ye South Petition

Ebenezer

Burge

At sd meeting Voated that there be five Agents to Consider of and to give in Reasons against Ele River petition about the mile and half money and that Two or three of them go to Boston to give in sd reasons to the General Court. The Persons chosen for sd Committe are Josiah Cotton Esqr John Watson Esqr John Dyer Isaac Lathrop Esqr and Decon John Foster.

Whereas Nathaniel Thomas Esqr being formerly chosen by the Town of Plymouth to take care about the repairing of Ele River Bridge or the rebuilding eelriver Bridge of it, and the sd Thomas being removed out of Town he moved that he might be dismist and that the whole matter relating to that affair might be referred to the selectmen to finish it, and it was accordingly Voated in the affermative.

Moderator

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January 1725/6 The Town made choice of Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> to be Moderator

Grand Jurors

The Grand Jurors chosen to serve for the year Ensuing are Mr Ephraim Cole Thomas Croad and Thomas Harlow.

Jury of Tryals for March The Jurors Chosen to serve on the Jury of tryals on first tuesday of March next are John Churchell Nathaniel Morton & Francis Lebaron

County Rate to be paid out of ye Town Treasury There was a motion made to the Town about the County Rate which amounts to 15. 13. 8. for the year 1725, that it might be paid out of ye Town Treasury out of ye Intrest money of the 600:15.0 Loan. After some debate thereon Voated that the County Rate should be paid out of ye Town Treasury to ye County Treasurer

Agents
about the
North
Precincts
Petition

Voated that there should be three Agents to meet the Committe that are appointed by the Generall Court to meet at Jones River to view & hear what may be offred to them about Jones River Petition

Voated that Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> Decon John Foster & John Dyer be Agents in behalf of the Town. Voated that there should be Two Agents more added to those already Chosen and the persons chosen are John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> & Mr John Murdock.

[45.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 1725/6 for the Moderator Choice of Town officers &c and for Jurors for the Superiour Court The Town made choice of Decon John Foster to be Moderator

Town Clerk

John Dyer Chosen Town Clerk and sworn by Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup>

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Selectmen

Voated that there be five Selectmen for this year. The Selectmen that are chosen are Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> John Dyer Decon John Foster Josiah Morton and Thomas Croad

Assessors

Voated that there be three assessors. And the Assessors that are Chosen are John Dyer Josiah Morton and Thomas Croad Voated that the highest in the voates in the North precinct shall be Constable there and Likewise the highest in the Voates within the Limits of Agawam shall be Constable there. The Constables chosen are Nathaniel Holmes son of Nathaniel Holmes Sen<sup>r</sup> Joseph Michell Ebenezer Burg and Ephraim And the sd Ephraim Kempton declared his refusall and the Town proceeded to a new Choice and Choose Thomas Spooner. Sd Kempton paid £5.

Town Treasurer

Tythingmen

The Town Treasurer Chosen is John Dyer Voated to Choose the Tythingmen by The Tythingmen chosen are nomenation. Thomas Branch David Turner John May Seth Chipman Israel Fearing

Surveyors

The Surveyors of the Highways William Cooke Thomas Holmes & Josiah Morton.

Whereas there being much uneasiness in the The Town relateing to the Devision of ye Town and the mile & half money the matter was moved to the Town about an accomedation and after some debate Voated that there shall be a Committe and to be chosen out of the severall parts of the Town to Consider of the affair and to make their report on Thirdsday next. Voated that there be nine persons chosen for a Committe and the persons chosen for sd Committe are Capt Warren Haviland Torry Josiah Cotton Esqr Majr Bradford Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> Josiah Morton Joseph Michell John

Committe

Dyer John Cooke John Watson Esqr

Register of Deeds

The Town proceeded at sd meeting to make choice of a Register of Deeds &c for ye County of Plymouth and the Voates were delivered to Samuel Bartlett Constable

Adjournment

Voated that the Town meeting be adjourned to next Thirsday to meet at Ten o'clock in the forenoon at the usual place of meeting

At an adjornment of the Town meeting from the Seventh day of March 1725/6 to the tenth day of March Instant

The Town proceeded to the choice of Jurors for the Superior Court to be holden at Plymouth on the Last tuesday of April next Grand Jurors

The Grand Jurors Chosen are John Dver

Supr Court April

Petty Jurors

The Grand Jurors Chosen are John Dyer & Jacob Michell

The Pet

The Petty Jurors chosen are Thomas Delano Judah West Joseph Morton William Bradford white Will: alias Jun<sup>r</sup>

County Treasurer The Town gave in their voates for a County Treasurer & Comitted them to Sam<sup>11</sup> Bartlett Constable. There was a Voate called whether the swine should run at Large this year under the Regulation of the Law and it passed in the

Swine

Negative

Notwithstanding the voate that is already made about swine as abovesd upon a motion made by several of the Inhabitants of the Ends of the Town. Voated that the swine shall run at Large all within the North Precinct and so far on the south side of the Town as Ele River, under the Regulation of the Law.

Hog Reves

The Hog Reves Chosen are Nathaniel Cobb Eleazer Rogers Nathaniel Thomas Thomas Faunce son of Joseph Faunce Thomas Faunce Elders son Joseph Morton Israel Fearing Samuel Foster John Gray James Clarke son of John Clarke deceased.

Fence viewers & feild drivers

The Fence viewers chosen are Jacob Michell Samuel Nelson John Barnes Ebenezer Holmes Joseph Bartlett Samuel Baites. Voated that the sd Persons shall be feild drivers.

Sealer of Leather Voated that William Harlow Cordwaner be sealer of Leather.

A Petition being presented to the Town at sd meeting by William Cooke about what charge he was at about Jabez Allen in the time of sd Allens sickness. Voated that they

Black birds & Crows

would allow him something. Voated that he should have forty shillings paid to him out of There being a motion ve Town Treasury. made about Encorigment of Killing black birds & Crows. Voted that something be paid to such persons as should Kill any black birds or Crows within the Town of Plymouth. Voated that what Black birds or Crows shall be Killed by any Persons within the Town of Plymouth they shall be paid out of the Town Treasury the sum of Two pence per head for black birds & the sum of four pence per head for Crows that shall be Killed from the first day of March to the Last day of June next. Voated that they bring what black birds & Crows they shall Kill within sd Term and deliver them to the Town Treasurer on the Last day of May next and on the Last day of June following for which the Town Treasurer shall pay them as abovesd out of the Town Treasurie They first giveing good satisfaction to the Treasur that such black birds & Crows were

**[46.]** 

black birds

the fish in ye Town Brook

Benjamin Warren & Joseph Morton Voated that Haviland Torry Joshua Bramhall Thomas Delano Simon Lazell George Holmes Decon Foster Thomas Spooner Stephen Churchell shall have Inspection of the brook that the herrings may not be destroyed and wasted.

killed within the Town of Plymouth.

Plymouth March 26<sup>th</sup> 1726. Wee the subscribers haveing our Lands adjoyning Each to other that is to say our homesteads that we now live on and Improveing on both sides We have agreed and made a devition of the partition fence between us which whole fence is 188 Rods, that is to say Joseph Morton is to maintain for his part of sd fence 94 Rod: which is from the Road to a stake and heap of stones standing in the Range between each party, and Capt Benjamin Warren is to main-

tain for his part of sd fence from said stake and stones aforesaid 94 Rod in the same Range of sd. Lotts. And we the subscribers have mutually agreed that the abovesd devition shall be and remain a Legall & durable devition to us and our heires and assignes for Ever as Witness our hands the day & year above said.

Benjamin Warren Joseph Morton

Moderator

At a Legall Town meeting held at Plymouth on the ninth day of May 1726. Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> Chosen Moderator

Representative

The Town made choice of Decon John Foster to be Representative for this year.

Decon John Foster and Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>8</sup> are Chosen Agents to give their attendance at the General Court and to give in further objections against the North Precinct & Ele River petitions and to transact in those affairs as may be proper.

John Dyers accompt while agent & Josiah Cotton An accompt of John Dyers of charge & Disbursment while Agent amounting to nine pounds and ten shillings was Read and voated to be paid out of the Town Treasury to ye sd John Dyer An accompt of Josiah Cottons Esq<sup>r</sup> of Charge & disbursments while Agent amounting to four pounds was read and Voted to be paid out of the Town Treasury to ye sd Josiah Cotton.

Jury for June Sessions The persons Chosen to serve on the Jury of tryals at the Quarter Sessions to be holden at Plymouth on the third Tuesday of June next are Caleb Stetson Thomas Faunce Elders son and Consider Howland

At a Town meeting held at Plymouth by the Inhabitants of Plymouth and that part of Kingston which Lately did belong to Plymouth on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 1726.

At sd meeting Decon John Foster is chosen Jurors for Moderator. The Jurors chosen to serve on the

September

Court

Jury of tryals on the third tuesday of September

Loggett Edmond Tilson &

Jonathan Eames

An accompt of what is necessary to be raised on ye Inhabitants abovesd both on Poles and Estates was presented to the Town which is as followeth

To the Representative	25.00.00
To the Assessors	6.00.00
To the poor	20.00.00
to the shool	30.00.00
to Ele River Bridge	6.00.00
To ye Treasurers Commissions	7.13.00
To the surveyers about ye highways	20.00.00
To ye Town Bridg & other uses	15.07.00
	130.00.00

Voated that the sd sum of 130.00.00 should be raised on the Inhabitants of Plymouth & that part of Kingston which Lately did belong to Plymouth both upon Poles & Estates.

[47.] At the Town Meeting Last mentioned by the Inhabitants

Ministers of Plymouth onely there was an accompt preSalary & sented of what was necessary to be raised for ye
Sexton &c Ministers Salery & Saxton &c which is as followeth

To the Ministers Salery	110.00.00
To the Assessors	2.00.00
To the meeting house glass & other repairs	16.00.00
To the Saxton	10.00.00
To ye Treasurers Commissions	3.04.00
,	141.04.00

Voated that the sd sum of 141.04.00 should be raised on the Inhabitants of Plymouth both on Poles & Estates to defrey the above sd Charge

Contribution

Voated that the Inhabitants of Plymouth pay their Ministers Rate by Contribution if they see cause and that they mark their money and all that is unmarked shall be accounted strangers money which the Reverend Mr Nathaniel Leonard shall have the benifit off and ye sd Reverend Mr Nathaniel Leonard be desired to keep an accompt of each mans money that is so marked.

Representative

Voated that the Representatives wages be raised for this present year both for the time past and yet to come of said year. Voated that there be one shilling per day be paid to Decon John Foster our present Representative for so many days as he hath or shall attend ye service of the Great & General Court which is one shilling more than what the Law at present allows, & so make it five shillings per day dureing this present year

Assessor

Whereas there being a vacancy of an Assessor to make the Ministers Rate by the North part of the Town being set of to be a Township & the Remaining part of Plymouth remaining a Town separate from them & Decon Foster being chosen onely as a Precint Assessor Voated that Decon John Foster be an Assessor to ajoyn with ye other Town assessors for to make the Ministers Rate for this year

Jurymen for December sessions At a Town meeting held at Plymouth in the Meeting House on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of Dec<sup>r</sup>: 1726 for the choice of Jurors to serve on the Jury of tryals to be holden at Plymouth on the third tuesday of this Instant December the Persons chosen for Jurymen are Peleg Durfy Joseph Rider and Nathaniel Howland

At a Town meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on the 13th of ffebruary 1726/7 Josiah Cotton Esqr chosen Moderator

Grand jury Petty Jury The Grand jurymen chosen to serve for the year Ensuing are John Morton & Josiah Carver The Petty Jury chosen to serve on the Jury of tryals to be holden at Plymouth on the first tuesday of March next are Joseph Ryder Jun' & John Bartlett

Committe about the Beach Voated that Mr John Murdock Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> & Stephen Churchell be a Committe to treat with the owners of the Beach in order to the preserving of said beach and to endeavor if possible to prevent the Harbours being spoyled and to make report of their doeings thereon the next Town meeting

Francis Adams Nath<sup>1</sup> Thomas Voated that John Dyer and Capt Benjamin Warren be a Committe to look after a peice of Land formerly laid out to Francis Adams which he hath since sold to Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> and there being a mistake about the bounds of it they are chosen to rectify and settle the bounds of it.

Committe
about ye
Town &
Eleriver
Bridges

Voated that Mr John Murdock Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> Stephen Churchell and Capt Ephraim Morton be a Committe to view and take care that ye Town & Ele River Bridges be repaired as soon as can be conveniently.

[48.] At a Legall Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 13th day of March 1726/7

Moderator Town Clerk At sd meeting Isaac Lathrop was chosen Moderator John Dyer Chosen Town Clerk and sworn by Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup>

Selectmen Voated that there be five Selectmen chosen to serve for this year

The Selectmen that are chosen to serve for this year are Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> Decon John Foster Capt Benjamin Warren John Dyer & Josiah Morton

Assessors The Assessors that be chosen are Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> John Dyer and Josiah Morton

Voated that the highest in the voates in the village
Constables of Agawam shall be Constable there The Constables that be chosen are Samuel Kempton Joseph
Bartlett & Gershom Gifford

Town Treasurer Town Treasurer that is chosen is John Dyer Tythingmen The Tythingmen that be chosen are Joseph King Joseph Warren Sam<sup>11</sup> Baites & Joshua Gibs

Fence viewers and feild drivers

The Fence viewers that be chosen are Thomas Holmes Ephraim Cole John Bartlett Stephen Churchell Ebeneser Holmes Thomas Clarke Jun<sup>r</sup> of ye Ponds & Israel Fearing

Voated that the sd persons that are chosen Fence viewers be also Feild drivers

Leather sealer

John Rider chosen Sealer of Leather

surveyors of boards &c Surveyors of boards & shingle &c are John Dyer Stephen Churchel & Samuel Marshall

Hog reves

The hog reves that be chosen are Samuel Nelson John Crandon Eleaser Holmes Haviland Torrey John Finney Serg<sup>t</sup> Ebeneser Holmes Josiah Clarke & Thomas Savery

Swine

Voted that the swine shall be confined according to ye direction of the Law for this year

Blackbirds

Voated that the Act about blackbirds that was past last year be revived and stand in force for this year

Voated that there be Encorigment given to those

Wild cats

persons that shall kill any wild cats within the Township of Plymouth to be paid out of ye Town Treasury. Voated that there shall be ten shillings paid out of the Town Treasury per head to every of the Inhabitants of ye Town of Plymouth that shall kill any wild cats within the limits of sd Town they produceing and order from the persons hereafter named Voated that John Watson Esqr & Mr John Murdock shall receive the heads of the wild cats that shall be Killed within sd Town and give orders to ye Town Treasurer for the payment of them

Surveyors

Voated that Josiah Morton & Thomas Holmes be Surveyors of ye Highways

Committe about the Highways

Voated that Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> Decon John Foster Capt Benjamin Warren & John Dyer be a Committe to treat with the Surveyors about the highways

Meeting House to be repaired

Voated that Capt Benjamin Warren Mr John Murdock & John Dyer be a Committe to view the Meeting House and to repaire it where it is out of repair and the Town to pay the charge thereof.

The Beach & Harbour Voated that the same Committe that was chosen on the 13<sup>th</sup> of february last past to treat with the owners of the Beach for the preserving of said Beach and to endeavor to secure the Harbour be still continued to be a Committe and proceed to do what they think may be most advisable about the Securing of sd Beach & Harbour and to treat with the owners about the same and to bring in their accompt to the Town that so they may be paid for the same

Grandjury for ye Sup<sup>r</sup> Court

The Grandjurors Chosen to serve on the Superior Court on the Last tuesday of April next are John Dyer and John Barnes

Petty Jury

The Petty Jury that are chosen to serve at said Court are Mr John Murdock Decon John Wood Thomas Howland and Stephen Churchell

Voates for a County Treas<sup>r</sup> The Town brought in their Voates for a County Treasurer and the sd Voates were comitted to Thomas Spooner Constable

[49.] By virtue of the Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 21th of March 1710/11

Wm Ring about 2 acres of land For and in Consideration of the sum of Thirty five shillings by William Ring of sd Plymouth unto John Watson Town Treasurer of sd Plymouth well and truely paid for the use of sd Town The sd Town hath Given Granted Bargained Sold made over & confirmed unto him the sd William Ring and unto his heirs & assignes for ever, about Two acres of Land Lying being & bounded as follows—Laid out on the 8th february 1711 by us the subscribers unto William Ring about Two Acres of Land lying between the Land of William Followay & Joseph King and is bounded from the southerly corner of the said

William Rings Land by the Land of Decon John Bennett & then by the Land of John Holmes to a heap of stones by the turning of his fence and thence to the Northerly corner of William Followays land and so by said Followays land to a heap of stones on the side of the Hill in the Range of Land Layd out the same day to sd Followay & thence to the southerly corner of Joseph Kings land and then to the Easterly corner thereof & thence to the southerly corner of sd Kings orchard & then by said William Rings land to the Southerly corner thereof first mentioned reserving a way through sd land through gates or bars Also we laid out to the sd Ring about 18 pole of Land on the Northwest End of sd Rings feild and is bounded from the Northwest corner of Joseph Kings orchard about 28 feet Westward to a heap of stones and thence Northerly to another heap of stones standing between the corner of sd Kings land and the Northwest corner of sd Rings feild and thence to the sd corner of Rings feild and thence by sd Rings feild to the corner of sd Kings Orchard

Entred May 4 1727

18 pole

first mentioned

James Warren Nathaniel Thomas

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May 1727 for the choice of Representative &c

Moderator Representative Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> chosen Moderator Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> chosen Representative

Incumbrances

Voated there should be a Committe to Remove the Present Incumbrances off of Coles Hill & other Town Commons, and also to draw up something in order to prevent future Incumbrances of the like sort and to make report of their doings therein at the next Town meeting. And also to take care about the Town Brook that so their may be a Convenient Passage for the alewives to pass at the Grist Mill and to Regulate strangers and Inhabitans in their takeing and catching of the alewives in the season

Alewives

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thereof and that Major Lathrop Mr Haviland Torry Mr John Foster John Dyer & Mr Stephen Churchell be the Committe in and about the Premises.

Committe

Voted that the Selectmen of this Town with Mr Watson Mr Murdock Mr John Barnes & Mr Stephen Churchell be a Committe to find & provide a Convenient Place upon the Common to set the Gallows upon for ye Execution of the Condemned Prisoner

Jurors for June Court

The Jurors chosen to serve at June next at the Inferior Court are Richard Waite and Samuel Marshall

[50.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House August 28th 1727

Moderator Jurors for Sep<sup>r</sup> The Moderator chosen is Capt Benjamin Warren
The Jurors chosen to serve on September next are
Thomas Morton and William Donham.

Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> is Chosen an Agent to answer the Agent Towns presentment about the Way by the Prison at the next Sep<sup>r</sup> sessions

Committe

Voted that the Selectmen or the Major part of them be a Committe to view the Way by the Prison and Consider what may be don about it and to make report to the Town the next Town Meeting. A Bill was offered to the Town in order for the raiseing of money to defray the necessary charges of the Town for the year 1727 the perticulars are as follows

To the Rebuilding Ele River Bridge & ye repairing	g
ye Town Bridge	45.00.00
To the repairs of the Meeting House	30.00.00
to ye School	30.00.00
To the Assessors for taking a valuation & making	3
of the Rates	15.00.00
To the Saxton	10.00.00
To the Poor	20.00.00
	150.00.00

Voated that the sd sum of £150 be raised on the Poles & Estates of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth

Committe to view ye Land at ye End of New street next to the water side

Voated that Capt Benjamin Warren Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> Josiah Morton John Barnes and Decon John Wood be a Committe to hear what those persons have to offer to them that purpose to build a Wharfe at the Lower End of the new street and the sd Committe are to view what Land was left for a Common Landing at the End of sd street and to see whether there may be any conveniency of land there for the use of sd wharfe to belong to such of the Inhabitants as shall build sd wharfe and to make report of their doings thereon at the next Town Meeting

Committe to view ye voats about ye school & to see what is due to Kingston

Voated that John Watson Esqr Josiah Cotton Esqr & John Dyer be a Committe to take a view of the voats of the Town Relating to the Keeping of a School in the Town of Plymouth and to see what is due to those of the Inhabitants lately of the Town of Plymouth at Jones River now Kingston and to make report to the next Town Meeting.

Voated that there be something alowed out of the Treasury to the Inhabitants of Manument Ponds towards the suport of a Minister that did Preach among them the year before last, and for the suport of a Minister to Preach among them the next Winter

Allowance for a minister at Manument Ponds Voated that there be the sum of Eight pounds paid to one or more of the Inhabitants of Manument Ponds for the support of a Ministers Preaching among them for the time past and also that there be the sum of Ten pounds paid for the support of a Ministers Preaching among them four months in the winter season or in proportion to what time he shall preach Less then the sd four months the next winter.

Voated that Josiah Morton shall receive the money for the time past, and what money shall become due for the time to come.

## PLYMOUTH RECORDS.

Voated that there be several places in Town appointed for to set up notifications of any Cattle or sheep straying about their Houses or Inclosures from the first of September next to the latter end of December following so annually from year to year And that at Eell River at the House of Capt Benjamin Warrens be one place and at Town at the House of Mr Thomas Wetherell be another place and at ye House of Mr Thomas Holmes be the third place and all Persons are desired to Conforme to the above sd vote and as stray Cattle & Sheep shall frequent about their Dwellings To sett up their Notis with Naturall & Artificiall marks so that the owners of sd Cattle may come by an easier way to know where they are and make satisfaction accordingly

Notifications to be sett up for stray beasts

**[51.]** 

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 1727

Moderator Jurors for December At sd Meeting Decon John was Chosen Moderator
The Jurors Chosen to serve on the Jury of Tryals
to be holden at Plymouth on the third tuesday of
December next are Edward Stevens and Joseph
Holmes Jun<sup>r</sup>

John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> to answer the Towns presentment for not haveing a Bridge over the Double Brooke at Ele River

Representative

Decon John Foster Chosen Representative

Alms House

Voated that there be an Alms House built for the Entertainment of the Poor of the Town of Plymouth

Committe

Voated that John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> Mr John Murdock & Mr Josiah Carver be a Committe to take care to provide Materials for to build sd House. And also voted that the sd Committe advise with the Selectmen about the building of sd House

Eleaser Donham Voted that Eleaser Donham shall have fourty shillings paid him out of the Town Treasury to get him a great coat

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on the  $25^{th}$  day of December 1727

Moderator

At sd meeting Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chosen
Moderator. At sd meeting there was Choice made
of the Jurors to serve at March Sessions next
Ensuing the persons that are Chosen are Mr
James Warren & Elisha Barrow

Grandjury

The Persons chosen to serve on the Grandjury
for the year Ensuing are Joseph Silvester Thomas
about Jones

River Bridge
to the Town at this meeting which came from the
at Kingston

Agents of the Town of Kingston about the Bridge

Agents of the Town of Kingston about the Bridge at Joneses River which was Read wherein they Petition to the Town of Plymouth to Repair sd Bridge wholly or in conjunction with them the question was put whether they would allow any thing to repair sd Bridge. Voted in the Negative Nemine Contradicente

At sd Meeting the Act was Read which allows the several Towns within the Province to set the several prices or allow to the Constables what they shall take the several species at that may be paid to them for the Province Tax

Voted that Mr John Murdock John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> & John Dyer be a Committe to settle & allow what the Constables shall have for the transportation of sd species.

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the  $18^{th}$  day of March 1727/8

Moderator At sd meeting Isaac Lathrop Esqr is chosen Moderator John Dyer was chosen to the office of Town Clerk Town Clerk for ye Ensuing year & sworn by Isaac Lathrop Esqr. The Selectmen Chosen are Coll<sup>1</sup> Selectmen Isaac Lathrop Capt Benjamin Warren Decon John Foster John Dyer & Left Josiah Morton The Constables that are chosen are Josiah Carver Constables Thomas Harlow & Zepheniah Swift. The Assessors are Capt Benjamin Warren John Dyer & Assessors Josiah Morton. The Surveyors of the Highways are Josiah Morton Joseph Bartlett Joseph Warren Surveyors of ye highways & Thomas Holmes. Voted that the Surveyors shall keep the highways in repair for the Term of five years and shall be paid therefor according to the former Town Voate and they shall give in bonds for their doing of the same according to ye vote of ye Town March 1st 1723/4

Tythingmen

The Tythingmen are Peleg Durfy William Harlow

Thomas Bartlett & Israel Fearing

Fence viewers The Fence viewers are George Holmes Thomas Spooner Eleazer Holmes Thomas Faunce Elders

son Benjamin Rider Israel Fearing & Joshua Gibs The sd persons are also chosen Haywards or feild

drivers

Clerks of Market

Hawards

The Clerks of the Market are Stephen Churchell &

Timothy Morton

Sealer of Leather

William Harlow Chosen Sealer of Leather John Dyer chosen Town Treasurer John Dyer chosen Surveyor of Lumber

Town Treast Surv<sup>r</sup> of Lumber Hog Reves

The Hog Reves chosen are Joseph Rider Thomas Morton son of Thomas Morton Jonathan Barnes Jun Thomas Jackson John Bartlett Thomas Clarke Nathaniel Bartlett Joshua Gibs & Ben-

jamin Mory

County Treasurer At sd meeting the Town put in their Votes for a County Treasurer & Committed them to Sam11

Kempton Constable

Committe

**[52.]** 

Voted that there be a Committe to view the Land that ye Reverend Mr Nathaniel Leonard requests to purchase of the Town being part of the Common Land that lyes before his door. mitte are John Dyer Decon John Foster and

Thomas Holmes and ye sd Committe are to make report thereof at the next Town Meeting

Committe about preventing

Voted that there be a Committe to draw up something about the preventing of fire spreading and consuming the buildings in the Town of Plymouth and the Committe are Coll Isaac Lathrop Capt Benjamin Warren John Dyer Decon John Foster Josiah Morton John Watson Esqr Mr John Murdock Decon Haviland Torry John Barnes & SteCommitte on land

phen Churchell a Committe ehosen to take care about the point of Land by the Bridge at the mouth of the Town Pond the Committe are Decon John Eoster John Dyer John Barnes & Timothy Morton.

Wild cats

Voted that the Act about Wild cats passed the Last year be in force and stand good for this year and that all Persons whatsoever though not Inhabitants of sd Town that shall kill any wild cats within the limits of the Town of Plymouth and make it appear to the satisfaction of the Committe who are the same Persons yt were last year they shall be paid ten shillings out of the Town Treasury they produceing an order from the Committe

Committe

Voated that there be a Committe to prevent the Wasting & destroying of the fish called alewives the Committe are Decon John Foster Stephen Churchell Decon Haviland Torry Timothy Morton and Thomas Spooner. Voted that none of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth whatsoever shall take any of sd fish either with nets or saines nor by beating of them in the Town Brooke or any where in the harbour of Plymouth and to put them into or any other cask & Expose them to sale Excepting what they may have occation for to use themselves for baite & their families use.

alewives

Voted that no stranger whatsoever that comes into the Town of Plymouth shall take any of the alewives either with a net or saine or by beating of them in the Town Brooke or any where in the Harbour of Plymouth without licence first obtained from the Committe and if they shall proceed contrary to this Act the sd Committe are fully Impowered to prosecute him or them that shall transgress therein

Black birds

Voted that the act about Crows & black birds shall be revived and stand good this year

Grand Jurors Sup<sup>r</sup> Court The Grand Jurors chosen to serve at the Superior Court on the last tuesday of Aprill next are Mr Josiah Morton & Mr Haviland Torry.

Petit Jurors The Petit Jurors chosen to serve at sd Court are Mr John Barnes Francis Adams Tomson Phillips & Joseph Morton

At a Town meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on the 13th day of May 1728 for the Choice of a Representative &c

Moderator

At sd meeting Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> is chosen Moderator At sd meeting there being Considerable dispute about the return entred by Josiah Carver Constable on the Warrant for Town Meeting & Whether he had sufficiently warned the Inhabitants. Voted that the warning shall be good and is accepted at this time.

Representative

Decon John Foster chosen Representative for this year

£60,000 Loan Voted that the Town take their proportionate part of the Sixty Thousand pounds Lately Emitted by the General Court which is five hundred Eighty three pounds and five shillings and be let out to the Inhabitants of the Town they giveing good Personall securety to the Trustees with a sufficient surety and to have it at six per cent per annum and that no person have above Thirty pounds out of sd money nor under Twenty pounds on the first day of that the Trustees shall meet on and afterwards to be let out at the discretion of the Trustees there being six days notice given before hand, and that the Trustees shall have Ten shillings for Letting out and Twenty shillings for Receiveing in every hundred pounds of the said money

Trustees

Voted that there be Three Trustees chosen to take out the Town of Plymouths proportion of the 60000 £. the Trustees that are chosen are Mr Haviland Torry Capt Ephraim Morton & Mr John Winslow

Nath<sup>1</sup> Leonard Voated That the Reverend Mr Nathaniel Leonard shall have liberty to fence in about fifteen feet of the Towns land lying before his House the whole length of his house Lott as long as he lives in the House wherein he now dwels and continues in the work of the Ministry

[53.] Voted that the Land upon the point by the Bridge at

The point or beach by the Bridge at ye mouth of ye Pond to be raised Jurors for

the mouth of the Town Pond be raised by setting up spoiles and filled up with sea Weed & gravell and that John Barnes and Stephen Churchell take care and get the Worke don and bring in an accompt of what work shall be done and the Town to pay them for it.

The Jurors chosen to serve in June sessions next Ensuing are Samuel Nelson & David Turner.

Town Meeting Sepr 2d 1728

June Sessions

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on the second day of September 1728 At sd meeting Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> is chosen Moderator

Jurors for Supe<sup>r</sup> Sessions The Jurors chosen to serve on the Jury of tryals in the Superior Court to be holden in Plymouth on the third tuesday of this Instant September are Ebenezer Morton & William Ellis

Committe

Voted that John Watson & Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>rs</sup> be a Committe to Examine & Settle the Town Treasurers accompt.

Money Raised

Voted that there be the sum of four hundred Eighty three pounds and ten shillings be raised on the Poles & Estates of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth for to defray the necessary charges ariseing within said Town for this present year the County Rate which is 25.1-8d being included within said sum of 483:10.0.

Manument Ponds money allowed Voted that there be the sum of Ten pounds allowed and paid to the Inhabitants of Manument Ponds towards the support of a Minister to Preach among them ye next winter season.

At a Town meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House December 29th 1728

Moderator Jurors for December sessions At sd meeting Mr John Winslow was chosen Moderator The Town proceeded and made choice of Jurors to serve at the Inferiour Court on the third Wedensday of December Instant and the persons chosen are Joseph Lewin & Nathan Delano

Committe
to revew ye
bounds of
ye Wood
Lott belonging
to ye Minister

Voted that Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> and Capt Benjamin Warren & Mr Samuel Nelson be a Committe to Joyne with the Reverend Mr Nathaniel Leonard to Revew & settle the bound of the Wood Lott belonging to the Minister if there may be any Records of the same to be found; and if not to be found then to lay out the same and make report thereof to the next Town Meeting.

Land for ye Alms & Correction House Voted that there be sixty feet square of Land laid out of the training green by the Pound to sett the Alms House & Correction House on and for yard Room, and also voted that John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> Mr John Murdock and Mr Josiah Carver be a Committe to lay out the same.

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House January  $27^{th}$   $172^{8}|_{9}$ 

Moderator Jurors for March Sessions

Grandjurors

At sd meeting Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator. The Town proceeded and made choice of Jurors to serve at the Inferior Court to be holden at Plymouth on the first tuesday of March next and Grandjurors to serve for the year thence next Ensuing. The petty Jurors yt are chosen are Joseph Warren Benjamin Rider Thomas Bartlett and Thomas Spooner. The Grandjurors that are chosen are Mr Haviland Torry & Mr Thomas Clark.

At sd meeting the accompts about the Ell river Bridge & the Town Bridge & the Causey way over the point by the mouth of

Committy
about ye
accounts of
ye Town &
Ell River
Bridges

the Town Pond was Read. Voted that the Committy that was chosen to take care about the repairing & building the Town & Ele River Bridges be continued as a Committy to Contest Examine & Settle the Accompts of those Persons that have don any work about said Bridges & the Causey way at the mouth of the Town Pond and if they think the accompt reasonable to Draw orders upon the Town Treasurer to pay the Towns proportion of sd charge. And to act & do any thing that they may think propper for the Intrest of the Town relating to sd affair.

[54.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House for the choice of Town officers &c March 10<sup>th</sup> 1728;9.

Moderator

Isaac Lothrop Esqr is chosen Moderator.

Town Clerk

At sd Meeting John Dyer is chosen Town

Clerk & sworn by Isaac Lothrop Esqr

Selectmen

The Selectmen that be chosen are Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> Capt Benjamin Warren John Foster John Dyer & Left Josiah Morton.

The Assessors are Capt Benjamin Warren John Dyer & Left Josiah Morton.

The Constables that be chosen are Eleazer Holmes & Edmond Tillson & Joshua Gibs. The sd Eleazer Holmes being Chosen Constable for the year Ensuing & the sd Holmes having agreed with Thomas Spooner to serve as Constable in his room and the sd Spooner declared in open Town Meeting his willingness to serve as Constable in ye Room of sd Holmes Voted that the sd Thomas Spooner be Constable for the year Ensuing in ye Room of sd Holmes. Edmond Tilson being chosen Constable for the year Ensuing and the sd Tilson haveing agreed with Josiah Carver to serve as Constable in his room, and the sd Carver declared in open Town Meeting his willingness to serve as Constable in the room of sd Tilson.

Voted that the sd Josiah Carver be Constable for the year Ensuing in the room of sd Tilson.

Surveyors The Surveyors of the Highwas that be of ye highways chosen are Left Josiah Morton Thomas

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## PLYMOUTH RECORDS.

Tythingmen

Holmes Joseph Bartlett and Joseph Warren The Tythingmen are Joseph Morton James Warren and Joseph Rider.

Fence viewers or Hawards The Fence viewers are Samuel Nelson Timothy Morton Elkanah Churchell Solomon Silvester Thomas Faunce Elders son and Israel Fearing. And the sd persons that are chosen Fence viewers are also chosen Hawards or Field drivers.

Clerks of the market The Clerks of the Market are Stephen Churchell & Thomas Spooner

Thomas Spooner is chosen sealer of Leather.

Hog reves

The Hog reves are George Holmes Thomas Faunce Elders son John Barnes Lazerus Le Baron Joseph Bartlett Jun<sup>r</sup> Nehemiah Riply Josiah Rider & Zephaniah Swift.

Town Treasurer Surveyors John Dyer is chosen Town Treasurer.

Stephen Churchell and Josiah Carver are chosen Surveyors of Lumber

County Treasurer At sd Meeting the Inhabitants voted for a County Treasurer & Committed their votes to Josiah Carver Constable

Grand Jurors Sup<sup>r</sup> Court At sd Meeting the Town made choice of Jurors to serve at the Superiour Court on the last tuesday of April next. the Grandjurors that be chosen are John Dyer & Joseph King.

Petit Jurors

The Jurors that be chosen to serve on the Petit Jury are John Barnes Samuel Nelson Josiah Morton & James Warren.

Alewives

Voted that Mess<sup>rs</sup> Thomas Spooner Thomas Branch & Timothy Morton be a Committe appointed to take care this year that the Herrings or Alewives have a convenient Passage for going up the Town Brook in their season, one half thereof at the Towns charge and also to hinder any catching of sd fish by Saining & unreasonable Destruction of them by Threshing or Beating and to prevent strangers from Trespassing upon the Town in that Regard, and to Prosecute them if they do, as the Law directs

and that the Inhabitants of this Town catch but for their own use.

Ladders

Voted That every Householder shall from time to time be provided with a sufficient Ladder or Ladders to reach from the ground to the Ridge of such house at the charge of the owner thereof, and in case the owner or owners of such House or Houses be not an Inhabitant of this Town, then the Ocupyers thereof to provide the same, and deduct the charge thereof out of his or their Rent on pain of the forfeiture of five shillings per month for every months neglect after the tenth day of June next.

Hogshead or barrels of water or cisterns to be kept in or near Houses

Voted that from the first day of March to the first day of December yearly and every year hereafter every Householder that lives between the House of Deacon John Wood and the House of Eleazer Churchell including both the Houses of the sd John Wood and Eleazer Churchell shall at all times within the limitation aforesaid keep in their Houses yards or backsides nigh to their Houses a Hogshead or two barrels full of water or a Cistern to the value of two Hogsheads on pain of forfeiting the sum of five shillings for every such neglect. Notwithstanding this order all the Houses that stand Twenty Rods from the Highway or Kings Road are Excluded.

Allowed by the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace Nathaniel Thomas Esqr & Mr John Murdock are chosen to prosecute the breakers of ye sd Acts.

Moderator Decon John Foster

[55.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House in Plymouth May 12th 1729. at sd meeting the Town voted that they would proceed to consider upon some method how the Representative should be paid & how much for the year past

Representative

Decon John Foster is chosen Representative for the year Ensuing

Voted that the Town Treasurer shall lend Decon John Foster Representative for the year past the sum of Twenty five pounds out of the Town Treasury stock and take his receipt for the same.

Petit Jurors

The Jurors that are chosen to serve at the next Sessions in this present Instant May are Mr Thomas Howland & Joshua Bramhall.

Aug 25 1729

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on ye 25<sup>th</sup> of August 1729 Coll Isaac Lothrop was chosen Moderator Voted that the Town Meeting be adjorned and held at the Meeting House.

Petit Jurors

The Town proceeded and made choice of Jurors to serve at the Quarter Sessions to be holden at Plymouth on the third tuesday of September next The persons that are chosen are Ebenezer Doggett and Nathaniel Lothrop.

Voted that there be something raised towards the support of the Reverend Nathaniel Leonard for this present year.

£40 Raised for Mr Leonard

£115 Raisd

Voted that there be the sum of forty pounds raised on the Poles & Estates of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth towards the support of the Reverend Mr Nathaniel Leonard besides the Salary which is one hundred & Ten pounds formerly granted him for his service in the work of the Ministry the present year.

There was an account read of what was necessary to be raised to defray the Charges ariseing within the Town of Plymouth for this present year, which is as followeth

To the School	30.00.00
To the Assessors	6.00.00
To Wild Cats &c	12.00.00
To the Treasurers Commissions about	4.00.00
To the Surveyors of ye highways	18.00.00
To the Poor	40.00.00
To the Meeting House	5.00.00

which amounts to

nounts to 115.00.00 Voated that the sum of one hundred and fifteen

pounds be raised on the Poles and Estates of the

Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth and paid into John Dyer Town Treasurer or to his successor

Ozment

At sd meeting there was something agitated concerning the Widow Ozment Mortgage Deed and there was a Committe chosen to discourse with the Executrix and to make report of their doings the next Town Meeting The Persons that are chosen for sd Committe are Nathaniel Thomas Esqr & Mr John Barnes

Dec 1 1729

At a Town meeting held in the Court House in Plymouth on the first day of December 1729 at sd meeting Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator

Jurors

At sd meeting the Town made choice of Robert Finney & Nathaniel Cob to serve on a Jury of Tryals the next Inferiour Court to be holden at Plymouth on the third Tuesday of this Instant December.

small pox

Voted that there be a Committe to Examine settle and Adjust the accompts of the several Persons that have done any service in the Time of the Small Pox and make report to the Town the next Town Meeting what they have don thereon. The Committe that are chosen for sd service are Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup>r John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> Docter Lazerus Lebaron Capt Benjamin Warren & John Barnes.

rate

Voted that there be a Rate made on the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth amounting to the sum of Fourty pounds to defray the necessary charges arising within sd Town.

Minister at Manomet Voted that there be something allowed & paid out of Town Treasury to some one person whom ye Inhabitants of Manument Ponds shall appoint to be for the use & towards ye support of a Minister that shall Preach among them this present Winter, and to be regulated according to the vote of the Town the last year. Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> & Mr John Barnes made report that they had discoursed with Elizabeth Phillips Executrix to ye Estate of ye Widow Ozment deceased about her Mortgage Deed to the Town. Voted that ye

Ozments Mortgage sd Executrix shall have liberty to choose either to pay the money as now it goes with Lawfull Interest, or to make the Principle as good as when it was received by \*.

[56.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 29th day of
Jan 29

January 1729/30 The Town proceded & made
choice of a Moderator & the Person chosen is
Moderator

Grand Jurors

Isaac Lathrop. The Grand Jurors chosen for
the year Ensuing are John Barnes & William
Donham. The Petit Jurors are Joseph Rider
Jun' Thomas Murdock John Bartlett Thomas
Morton Jun' and Thomas Foster

Stephen At sd meeting the Town made choice of Stephen Churchel to be a Trustee in the Room of Capt Trustee Ephraim Morton deceased

Voated that there be the sum of fifty pounds raised to help to support the Charges of our Ajency in England in the defence of our priviledges

Voted that the matter about the Alewives that go up in Agawam River to half way Pond be adjorned to next Town Meeting.

At sd meeting there were several accounts relating to the charge in the time of the Small Pox & since were read and allowed.

Mar 16 1730

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of March 172<sup>9</sup>/<sub>20</sub>. At sd Meeting Moderator

Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

John Dyer was chosen Town Clerk and sworn by Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup>

Selectmen

The Selectmen that are chosen be Coll<sup>r</sup> Isaac

Lothrop Benjamin Warren John Foster John

Dyer and Josiah Morton.

Assessors The Assessors that be chosen are Benjamin

Warren John Dyer and Josiah Morton.

Constables Nathaniel Chubbuck chosen Constable for the village of Agawam.

Thomas Fannce Jun<sup>r</sup> and John Cooper are Chosen Constable and the said John Cooper came into Town Meeting and declared his non acceptance and paid the sum of five pounds and the Town proceeded to a new choice of a Constable in sd Coopers room and Ephraim Cole Jun<sup>r</sup> was chosen Constable.

Surveyors of ye Highways The Surveyors of the Highways that be chosen are Josiah Morton Thomas Holmes Joseph Bartlett & Joseph Warren.

Tythingmen

The Tythingmen that be chosen are Thomas Morton 3<sup>d</sup> Thomas Bartlett Gideon Ellis and Thomas Savory.

Fence viewers

Thomas Holmes Thomas Spooner Eleazer Holmes Ebenesur Holmes Joseph Bartlett Zepheniah Swift & Ebenezer Burge are chosen Fence viewers & feild drivers.

Clerks of ye Market John Winslow and Stephen Churchell are chosen

Clerks of ye market

Sealers of Eleazer Morton and Elisha Barrow are chosen Leather Sealers of Leather

Voted that the swine be confined according to the direction of the Law .

Hogreves

Voted that the Hogreves be chosen by Nomenation and the Hogreves chosen are George Holmes John Winslow Nathaniel Thomas Jun Samuel Marshall Ichabod Bartlett Asa Beal Joseph Bartlett Benjamin Cornish and Ebenezur Burge.

County Treas

At sd Meeting the Town put in their votes for a County Treasurer.

Town Treas<sup>r</sup>

John Dyer is chosen Town Treasurer.

Surveyors of Lumber

John Dyer and Stephen Churchell are chosen

surveyors of Lumber.

At sd Meeting Voted that the Selectmen be joyned with the Committe to adjust ye accompts that are charged upon the Town in the time of the small pox.

Alewives
Regulated
in Agawam
River

Voted that the Town Meeting be adjorned to the last munday of this Instant March at ten a clock in the morning, before the Town Meeting was adjorned it was voted at sd Meeting that the Alewives that go up Agawam River have free Egress and Regress in sd River to go to half way Pond without molestation and none shall take above four barrels upon the Penalty of Twenty shillings upon each breach of sd Act. Voted that Israel Fearing shall prosecute any person or persons that

shall trespass on sd Act. Town Meeting Adjorned to ye Last Munday of this Instant March at 10 a clock in ye morning.

[57.] At an Adjornment of the Town Meeting from the 16<sup>th</sup> day of March to the last Munday of March Instant 1730.

Grand Jurors for Sup<sup>r</sup> Court At sd Meeting The Town proceeded & made choice of Grand Jurymen to serve on the Superior Court to be holden at Plymouth on the last tuesday of April next. The Persons Chosen to serve on ye Grandjury are John Atwood & Stephen Churchell. The Persons chosen to serve for Petit Jurors at sd Court are John Faunce Thomas Spooner Samuel Bartlett Jun<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Donham.

Petit Jurors

At sd Meeting Voted that Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> be paid the sum of Twenty five shillings for a pair of sheets that Jacob Lewis & his wife were buried in.

£150 Grated to be raised

Voted that there be the sum of one hundred & fifty pounds raised on the Poles & Estates of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth towards defreying ye necessary charges thereof

Committe
abt ye Small
Pox accts

Voted that there be a Committe to Examine adjust & proportion the charge of the several accompts of the sundrey persons that have been lately sick of the Small pox. The persons chosen for sd Committee are Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> & John Dyer. that Mr John Murdock John Dyer & Stephen Churchell James Warren & Joseph Bartlett be a Committe to take care to regulate affairs about preventing the Infection of the Small poxs spreading. Voted that the Town Treasurer do make a tender of what the Town has voted to be allowed and paid to the sundrey persons that have brought in their accompts against the Town of their Charge in the time of the Small pox which is to be in full of said accompts.

Voted that the Town Treasurer be Impowred to prosecute any

person or persons that are Indebted to the Town for what charge the sd Town was at either for Nursing tendance or other Necessaries in the time of the Small pox.

May 11 1730

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House on ye 11th day of May 1730

Moderator

At sd Meeting Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

Representative

At sd Meeting John Foster was chosen Representative for this present year.

Jurors for May sessions At sd Meeting the Town made choice of Jurors to serve at the Quarter Sessions in this present month to be holden at Plymouth, and the persons chosen are Samuel Cole & Jonathan Barnes Junr.

At sd Meeting the Town made choice of Mr Nathaniel Jackson & Samuel Kempton to be added to the Committe which are to take care about the vessels and persons that come from & go to Boston and what goods they bring from thence that may be thought to be Infected with the small pox to do what may be suposed to be propper to

prevent the Inhabitants being infected therewith.

Small pox

June 15 1730

Moderator

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the fifteenth day of June 1730 The Town made choice of a Moderator & the person chosen is Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Constable

David Turner is Chosen Constable, there being a vacancy by the death of Ephraim Cole Jun Deceased.

Ministers Additionall grant Voted that there be the sum of forty pounds allowed and paid out of the Town Treasury to the Reverend Mr Nathaniel Leonard besides his salerry of one hundred & ten pounds for his preaching amongst us the present year, and that the Poles & Estates of ye Inhabitants be assessed for ye same

Manomet

Voted that there be the sum of ten pounds allowed to the Inhabitants of Manument Ponds for a ministers preaching among them four months the next winter season.

Alewives

Voted that Thomas Spooner Thomas Branch & Timothy Morton be a Committe to joyn with the owners of the Gris Mill to make a Roleing Damm at the Gris Mill for a Convenient passage for the Herring to go up the Town Brook by said mill.

Voted that Nathaniel Thomas Isaac Lathrop John Watson Esqr Capt Benjamin Warren John Foster John Dyer Haviland Torrey & Israel Fearing be a Committe to draw up some proposals about the more orderly takeing the fish that goes up the Town brook and Agawam River that proceeds from half way Pond.

Dogs Voted that there be something don about Dogs. Voted that the above Committe about the fish be a Committe to Draw up something about Dogs

[58.] Voted that the Report of the Committe Relating to the Small pox Several Bills which were read in Town Meeting for what was Expended on them for Nursing & Necessaries in the time of the late Small pox be accepted.

Thomas Delanoes Bill	37.12.00
Eleaser Morton Jun <sup>r</sup> Bill	28. 4.06
Elkana Delano Bill	22.15.03
The Estate of Jacob Lewis Deceased Dr	10.15.06
Sarah Warren Bill	9. 9. 0
Deborah Barden Widow Bil	3.14. 0
Ebeneser Bartletts Bill	10. 9. 6
Joshua Donhams Bill	11. 5. 0
Thornton Grays Bill	6.15. 0
Micajah Donhams Bill	15.15. 0
Edward Stephens Bill	4.14. 6
Gray Cr	1.12. 0

Voted that the Town Treasurer be Impowred to gather in the money that is due to the Town of Plymouth from the several persons that have been lately sick with the Small pox for what was Expended on them for nurses & necessaries as appears by their Several Bills. And to prosecute any person or persons that shall neglect or refuse to make payment of their several Bills.

Sep 14 1730 At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the Moderator fourteenth day of September 1730 At sd Meeting Isaac Lathrop was chosen Moderator.

Jurors Sep<sup>r</sup> sessions The Jurors that were chosen to serve at the Inferiour Court to be holden at Plymouth on this Instant are Timothy Morton & William Harlow Sen<sup>r</sup>

Alewives & Dogs

Sedge in ye Town Pond children to be Regulated on ye Lords day Voted that the affair about the Alewives & unruly Dogs be continued to next Town Meeting. Voted that the affair about the Sedge in the Town Pond be continued to the next Town Meeting. Voted that the Constables (viz) David Turner & Thomas Faunce the Elders son shall take care that the children & youths in the Town of Plymouth may be well regulated on the Lords day till the next Town Meeting

lease of

Voted that the Selectmen be Impowered to Lease out the Common Land at Welensley whereon the Widow Bethial: Churchell now makes fish on not to exceed the number of seven years.

Eleaser

Voted that Eleaser Dunham shall have forty shillings paid him out of the Town Treasury for to procure him a great coat.

Dec 14 1730

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the fourteenth of December 1730. At sd Meeting Decon John Foster was chosen Moderator.

Jurors

The Town Proceeded and made choice of Jurors to serve on December Instant at the Quarter session to be holden at Plymouth. the Jurors are Lemuel Drew & Francis Lebaron.

Ministry

Voted that the charge of supplying the Pulpit in the time of the Rev. Mr. Leonards sickness be drawn out of the Treasury of the Town of Plymouth and that the Selectmen give orders to the Town Treasurer to pay the same

Highways

Voted that there be Two or Three men Joyned to the selectmen to see that the Highways be repaired. the persons Chosen are John Barnes Stephen Churchel & Sam<sup>11</sup> Nelson

Jan 26 1731

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 26th day of January 1730/1 At sd Meeting the Town made choice of Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> for

Moderator

Grand jurors

Moderator. By virtue of ye warrant from the Clerk of the Inferior Court & General Sessions of the Peace The Town made choice of the following jurors the Grand jurors are Benejah Pratt & Eleaser King who are to serve on the Ensuing year.

Petit Jurors

The Petit Jurors are Eleaser Churchell Samuel Bartlett John Harlow and Seth Jackson

Representative

The Town made choice of Mr John Foster to serve and represent sd Town at the Great and General Court to be held & kept at Boston on the tenth day of february next.

[59.] Whereas the fish commonly called alewives are of Pub-

Alewives

lick use & service. Therefore for the more orderly & Regular taking of said fish and for the preventing the unreasonable wasteing and destroying of them, Voted that none of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth on no case whatsoever shall take more alewives in the Spring of the year as they are passing up the Town Brook or in the Brook or river that runs from halfway Pond into Agawam Bay dureing the Season of their Spawning onely what is necessarv and needfull for the use of their families to eat and what the fishermen want to use for bait and that no alewives be taken by any person or persons for to make a market off under the pain & penalty of Twenty shillings fine for each barrel so taken and so in proportion for a lesser quantity then a barrell the said fine to be for the use of the poor of the Town of Plymouth, and that there be a Committe annually chosen to take care to prosecute said Act and that any person or persons or fishermen that are strangers and not Inhabitants of said Town shall at all times whenever they want said fish apply themselves to sd Committe for liberty to take what they want so that it doth not exceed two barrels they paying to the said Committe not Exceeding the sum of five shil-

lings per barrell sd money to be for the use of the poor of sd Town and sd Committe are appointed to take special care to prevent all disorderly persons either grown persons or children that shall unreasonably by beating or threshing in sd brooks or river so as to Wast & destroy said fish contrary to the true intent of the above sd Act. and this Act to be in force till the Town shall see reason to alter it.

The above sd Act is allowed and approved on by the Quarter Sessions at their Court held at Plymouth on the first tuesday of March 1730.

Mar 15 1731

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the fifteenth day of March 1730/1. At sd Meeting Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

Moderator Town Clerk

At sid meeting John Dyer was chosen Town Clerk & sworn by Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup>. The Selectmen that be chosen are Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> Capt Benjamin Warren Decon John Foster John Dyer & Josiah Morton.

Assessors

The Assessors that be chosen are Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> John Dyer & Josiah Morton.

Constables

The Constables that be chosen are Benjamin Rider Thomas Foster & Samuel Burge.

Surveyors of ye highways

The Surveyors of the highways that be chosen are Josiah Morton Thomas Holmes Joseph Bartlett & Joseph Warren.

Tythingmen

The Tythingmen that be chosen are Judah West Joseph Rider Jun John Faunce and Thomas Savory.

Clerks of ye Market The Clerks of the market that be chosen are Timothy Morton & Thomas Spooner.

Sealers of Leather Sealers of Leather are Eleazer Morton & Elisha Barrow.

Town Treas

Town Treasurer John Dyer.

Voted that the Swine run at Large & to be under the regulation of the Law.

Hogreves

The Hogreves that be chosen are Eleaser Churchell George Holmes Thomas Faunce ye 3<sup>d</sup> Benejah Prat John Sturtevant Jun<sup>r</sup> Samuel Nelson Consider Howland Isaac Little Benjamin Lathrop Benjamin Mory James Warren Joseph Warren & David Besse.

Committe about ye alewives The Committe that be chosen to Look after Act about ye alewives are Decon Haviland Torrey Thomas Branch Samuel Kempton Thomas Spooner Nathaniel Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> and any three are to act in the affair.

Surveyors of Lumber The Surveyors of Lumber that be chosen are John Dyer & Stephen Churchell.

County Treas

At sd meeting the Town put in their votes for a County Treasurer

Register

At sd meeting the Town put in their votes for a Register of Deeds.

Widow Little

Voted that there be a sufficiency of money Lent to Mrs Sarah Little widow to the Reverend Mr Ephraim Little deceased to satisfy a Judgment of Court obtained by Abiel Shurtleff.

Alms & Correction House

Voted that the Selectmen should settle and adjust the accompts about the Alms & Correction House.

Jurors

The Grandjurors chosen to serve on the Superior to be holden at Plymouth on the last tuesday of April next are Mr John Atwood & Thomas Holmes. The Petit Jurors chosen to serve on sd Court are Samuel Nelson Stephen Churchell Solomon Silvester & Thomas Branch. The affair about Bartlets Land was adjorned to next Town Meeting as also about ye Common Land & about Ebeneser Curtis petition about sd Land.

[60.]

Moderator

May 13 1731

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 13th day of May 1731. At sd Meeting Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator. The Town proceeded & made choice of Jurors to serve at the next Sessions. the persons chosen for Jurors are Mr John Rickard & Joseph Peirce

Jurors for May

Representative

Alewives

Decon John Foster chosen Representative Voted that there be some further care taken to preserve the Alewives.

Voted that there be a Committe to take care about the Alewives. The Committe that are chosen are Nathaniel Thomas Esqr

Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> Haviland Torrey and Capt Benjamin Warren
Robert Voted that there be a Committe about the Land
Bartletts land which Robert Bartlett deceased formerly bought
of the Town the sd land lyeth at Welensly. the
Committe chosen are John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> Haviland Torrey Left Josiah Morton.

The affair about the mile & half land is adjorned till next Town Meeting

Sep 13 1731

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September 1731. At sd Meeting Moderator

Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

At sd Meeting John Morton was chosen to

Sep<sup>r</sup> Serve on the Grandjury.

The Petit Jurors to serve at the Sessions in this Instant September are Joseph Bartlett & Samuel Morton.

Town

An Account of what money is necessary to be raised to defray the necessary charges of the Town of Plymouth was read the perticulars are as followeth.

To the School	30.0.0
To the Assessors about	8.0.0
To ye Surveyors of ye highways	19.0.0
To the Trears Commissions about	2.0.0
To the Reverend Mr Nathaniel Leonard ye same	
as was last year	150.0.0
To the Saxton	10.0.0
To the poor	60.0.0
For Wild Cats	10.0.0

Money Voted that there be the sum of Three hundred raised pounds raised on the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth both for their Poles and Estate.

Money
Voted that there be the sum of ten pounds Lent
Lent to
out of the Town Treasury to Mrs Sarah Little
Mrs Little
widow to the Reverend Mr Ephraim Little deceased.

The Extract of the Jornals of the House of Representatives relating to the Supply of the Treasury was read at sd Meeting.

Manument Voted that the Consideration of the Petition of the Inhabitants of Manument Ponds relating to their being a Precinct be adjourned to the next Town Meeting.

Nov 9 1731

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the ninth day of November 1731. At sd meeting Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

Moderator Constable.

At sd Meeting Josiah Sturtevant was chosen Constable.

Small pox

Voted that the Selectmen with the Assistance of their Neighbors & friends if the Providence of God should so order that the small pox should spread and there should be danger of its being brought amongst us that they use some prudent method to endeavor that it may not be brought amongst us.

The affair about the Inhabitants of Manument Ponds in Relation to their being a Precinct was moved at sd Meeting & the Town Voted it should be adjorned to the next Town Meeting.

Nov 25 1731

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November 1731. At sd Meeting Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

Jury for Dec<sup>r</sup>

The Jurors chosen to serve at December Court are John Crandon Benjamin Lothrop Samuel Rider and John Cooper.

At sd Meeting Joseph Rider Jun<sup>r</sup> was chosen Constable and he made Excuse to the Town that he was Chosen Tythingman for the year & so was Excused.

[61.] At sd Meeting the Town proceeded and made choice of
John Crandon for Constable and he declared he
would not serve as Constable unless the Law
forced him thereto. At sd Meeting the Town
proceeded and made choice of Jonathan Eames
for Constable. At sd Meeting the voat was
Precinct
called whether the Town would grant the Inhabitants of Manument Ponds their Petition for a
Precinct It passed in the Negative there being a
small assembly it was thought not to be proper to
grant it.

At sd Meeting Isaac Lathrop Esq was chosen to prosecute Josiah Sturtevant & John Crandon who were chosen Constables & refused to serve.

Moderator

Constable

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the ninth day of December 1731 At sd Meeting Isaac Lathrop Esq was chosen Moderator. At sd Meeting Maletiah Lathrop was chosen Constable.

At sd Meeting John Churchel withdrawed his petition relating to the use of his house in the time of the small pox. Voted that Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> prosecute Jonathan Eames who was chosen Constable the last Town Meeting held at Plymouth on ye 25<sup>th</sup> day of November last past.

Monument Ponds Precinct At sd Meeting Voted that the Inhabitants of Manument Ponds be a seperate Precinct and to contain the land within the boundaries hereafter named, viz. To begin at the Sea by the North side of Elisha Holmes Land and from the sd Elisha Holmes Land the range to run Southwest and by South to Manument Ponds Road & then as the Road goes to run Easterly a mile in sd Road & from thence to run a straight line to a hill on the West side of William Ellises which is about a quarter of a mile from sd Ellises House and from thence on a straight line to ye Easterly side of Herring Pond and so on the same course to Sandwich line and from thence to run down to ye sea and by the sea to the bounds first mentioned.

Voted that the Inhabitants of Manument Ponds do draw out of the Town Treasury what they are Assessed in the Ministers Rate for this present year.

Dec 20 1731

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the Twentieth day of December 1731. At sd meet-Capt Warren was chosen Moderator. At sd Meeting Elisha Barrow was chosen Constable and sworn to his office by Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Voted that the affair about the well which is belonging to Ebenezer Curtis Timothy Morton & others be continued to ye next Town Meeting. And that Nicholas Drew be ordered to apear at the next Town Meeting to give reason why he built his well on the Towns Land.

Feb 21 1732 At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of february 173<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> Was chosen Moderator.

Grandjurors chosen to serve for ye year
Grandjurors Ensuing are Joseph Warren & Timothy Burbank.

The Petit Jurors to serve at March Court next
are John Churchell Thomas Westren Thomas

March Spooner and Jonathan Barnes Jun.

Voted that John Churchell be paid out of the Town Treasury the sum of Eight pounds for the use of his house in the time of the small pox while Thomas Morton lived therein and damages sustained &c.

the Petition of Ebenezer Curtis & others relating to a Well that is in the highway yt Leads out of Town it is adjorned to next Town Meeting

[62.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 20<sup>th</sup> day Mar 20 1732 of March 173<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

Town Clerk John Dyer was chosen Town Clerk for the Ensuing year & was sworn by Josiah Cotton Esqr.

Selectmen The Selectmen that are chosen are Capt
Benjamin Warren Decon John Foster Left
Josiah Morton John Dyer and John Barnes.

Assessors

The Assessors that be chosen are Josiah Cotton
Esqr John Dyer & Josiah Morton.

Constables

The Constables that are chosen are John Churchell and Nathaniel Holmes Sen and Ebenezer Swift and the sd Nathaniel Holmes being in Town Meeting declared his refusal to serve in the office of Constable and would not pay the fine the Law obliged him to. Joseph Rider was chosen Constable in the room of Mathaniel Holmes who refused to serve.

Voted to prosecute Nathaniel Holmes for his refuseing to serve as Constable

Agent Voted that Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> do prosecute Nathaniel Holmes Sen<sup>r</sup> at the next Court for his refusall to serve in the office of Constable. Isaac Lothrop declared his refusall.

Town Treas<sup>r</sup> John Dyer was chosen Town Treasurer.

Tythingmen

The Tythingmen that are chosen are Timothy Burbank Thomas Bartlett George Holmes and Joshua Gibs.

John Churchell came into Town Meeting and declared his refusall to serve in ye office of a Constable and did not pay his fine.

Agent

Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen to prosecute Nathaniel Holmes Sen<sup>r</sup> and John Churchell at the next Court for their refuseing to serve in the office of a Constable.

Constable

John Crandon was chosen Constable in the room of John Churchell who refused to serve pd fine.

Surveyors of ye highways

The surveyors of the highways are Josiah Morton Thomas Holmes Joseph Bartlett and Joseph Warren, and the sd surveyors are to have the same pay as they have had for sundry years last past

fence viewers

The fence viewers are Samuel Nelson Eleazer Holmes Timothy Morton Ebenezer Holmes Thomas Faunce ye Elders son Left Josiah Morton Solomon Silvester Israel Fearing and Ebenezer Burge

Hog Reves

The hogreves yt are chosen are Silas West Benjamin Rogers Nathaniel Jackson Thomas Spooner Uriah Savory Stephen Churchell John Bartlett Thomas Faunce ye Elders son Sam<sup>11</sup> Cornish and Jonathen Morey Jun<sup>r</sup>

Leather Sealers Surveyors of Lumber Sealers of Leather are Capt Benjamin Warren and John Rider

The surveyors of Lumber are John Dyer and Stephen Churchell

grist mill

Voted that Timothy Morton Jonathan Eames and Thomas Spooner be a Committe to joyn with the owners of the Griss Mill to view the mill dam and to see what is wanting and to repair the way for herrings to pass up the brook at sd Mill as Conveniently they can.

County Treas<sup>r</sup> The Inhabitants of ye Town put in their votes for a County Treasurer.

The Grandjurors Chosen to serve at the Next Supr Court are Thomas Holmes and Stephen Churchell

Petit Jurors

The Petit Jurors to serve at ye Supr Court are John Barnes James Warren Joseph Morton and Samuel Nelson.

The affair about Ebenezer Curtis and others in Relation to a well in the highway is ajorned to next Town Meeting.

Saxton

Elkanah Totman was chosen to be Saxton for the year Ensuing and to be paid the sum of ten pounds for the year, he began to ring the bell on the 23d day of March Instant

Bounds of ye Personage Lott Renewed

Whereas at a Town Meeting held at Plymouth the ninth day of December 1728 Wee the subscribers were chosen to Renew the bounds of the fourty acres of Land laid out for the use of the Personage or Ministry above Dones feild on the 30th of November 1702 did on the 17th of January 1729/30 Renew the bounds of sd Land and we found the Southeast corner bound to be cut down and the tree lying upon the fence which was made by Nathaniel Warren deceased but the stump with stones about it stands about 3 foot within the sd fence where we marked a white oak bush by the said stump and from thence we renewed ye bounds to the other three corners and marked several small trees in the range between each corner but on the North and East sides we found the old marks a little out of the true range and here we marked several saplins & trees which stand on the range. Witness our hands

> Nath<sup>1</sup> Thomas Benja Warren

April 17 1732

School

[63.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the seventeenth day of April 1732. At sd Meeting Isaac Lathrop Esqr was chosen Moderator Voted that there be a Gramer school set up in the hart of the Town for the Term of three years from the Last day of April Instant and a Writing & reading school at

the Southerly end of the Town meaning Eleriver & Manument Ponds to have the benefit of sd school in proportion until they become a Precinct by themselves.

Voted to raise the sum of Eighty pounds Including the money of the mile & half Land for the Gramer school yearly, and forty pounds for the writing and reading school yearly Voted that there be a Committe to take care to provide Suitable Persons to keep sd School. The persons that are chosen are Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> John Barnes Haviland Torry James Warren & Josiah Morton

Rams

Voted that no Rams shall be suffered to go at Large from the fifteenth day of July to the first day of November following this present year upon the penalty of fifteen shillings for each ram so runing at Large to be paid by the owner thereof and it shall be in the Liberty of any of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth to take up any Ram or Rams that shall run at Large and to have the benefit of sd fine to him or themselves and to prosecute ye owners for the same.

May 15 1732

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the fifteenth day of May 1732 Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator

Petit Jurors At sd Meeting the Town proceeded to make choice of a Grandjuror to serve at May Court and so for ye following part of ye year the person chosen was Eleaser Churchell the Petit Jurors to serve at May Court are James Rickard & Gershom Foster

May 22 1732

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 22<sup>th</sup> day of May 1732 Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

Representative

At sd meeting Mr John Foster was chosen Representative to serve at ye Great & Generall Court to be held & kept for his Majesties Service at ye Court House in Boston. And he declared that his circumstances were such that he could not serve the Town, and so he was released, and at sd meeting Isaac Lathrop Esqr

Constables

was chosen Representative for the Ensuing year.

Thomas Morton Jun was chosen Constable and he being in Town Meeting declared his refusall and so paid the sum of five pounds for his fine.

At sd Meeting Thomas Faunce the third was chosen Constable and sworn by Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Schools

Voted to Reconcider the vote of the Town on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 1732 relating to ye money that was raised to support the Schools the Vote being somewhat uncertain & the Warrant that called the Town Meeting in April last not Expressing ye setting up of more schools then one

John Murdock 40 ft land At sd Meeting Granted to Mr John Murdock forty feet of Land at the Lower end of the New Street to the Southward of where Mr Jacksons Wharff formerly stood and to build sd wharff forty feet wide and down into the Bay so far as he pleases but not less then one hundred feet further into the Bay then Mr Jacksons wharff was and to build sd wharff in three years or Else sd grant to be void and of none effect.

There was a Town Meeting appointed and the Inhabitants were to meet on the fifth day of June 1732. Joseph Rider Constable notifyed the North part of ye Town and Thomas Faunce the third being Constable did not notify the South part of the Town and so the Town not being Legally Notifyed could not proceed

[64.]

June 19 1732

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on ye 19<sup>th</sup> day of June 1732. At sd Meeting Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

Representative

At sd Meeting Mr Josiah Morton was chosen Representative to serve for the remaining part of the year

Schools

At sd Meeting there was a Considerable debate about the schools, it was considered that wheras the Inhabitants of Ele river and Manument Ponds have had little or nothing towards maintaining a school amongst then for years past Voted that the forty pounds yearly allowed them at the Town

Meeting on ye seventeenth of April last for three years to maintain a school amongst them be confirmed to them and that Manument ponds have their part of it although they become a Precinct provided they pay towards ye Grammer School.

July 24 1732

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July 1732. At sd Meeting Isaac Lothrop Esq was chosen Moderator.

Jurors for Sep<sup>r</sup> Sessions The Jurors chosen on September Sessions are Nathaniel Jackson and Thomas Morton Jun<sup>r</sup>

Voted at sd Meeting that they would repair the Bell which is cract.

Committe

about the Bell

Bell

Voted that there be a Committe to take care to Procure us a new Bell for the meeting House of about 300 wt. and to dispose of the old one and in case the Town can be accommodated with a good Bell at home Reasonably then the Committe are directed to comply with it, if otherwise to send home to England as soon as Conveniently may be. The Committe which are chosen for the abovesd service are Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> Mr John Murdock and Capt Benjamin Warren. At sd meeting Mr John Murdock offred to give to the town the value of fifty pound weight of mettle more than what the Town Voted which should be towards the said Bell.

Town Charge

An account of what was necessary to be raised on the Town the following acct was read at the Town Meeting which is as followeth

70.0.0
8.0.0
12.0.0
20.0.0
10.0.0
10.0.0
50.0.0
180.0.0

Voted to raise the above said sum of one hundred & Eighty pounds on the Poles and Estates of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth to defray the charges thereof.

Ministers Salery

Voted to raise the sum of forty pounds on the Poles & Estates of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth (the Inhabitants of Agawam Excepted) to be added to the Reverend Mr Nathaniel Leonards stated Salery which is one hundred & ten pounds so that the whole amounts to One hundred and fifty pounds for this year.

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 1,1th day of Decr 1732. At sd Meeting Josiah Cotton Esqr was chosen Moderator.

Jurors for Dec<sup>r</sup> Sessions

At sd Meeting the Town made choice of Jurors to serve at the Court to be holden at Plymouth this present month who are as follows. Samuel Bartlett & Samuel Rider.

[65.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on ye 1st day of Mar 1 1733 march 1732/3. At sd Meeting Josiah Cotton Moderator Esqr was Chosen Moderater.

Town Clarck

At sd Meeting Gersham Foster was Chosen Town Clarck for ye Ensuing year and was sworn by Josiah Cotton Esqr.

Selectmen

The Selectmen That ware Then Chosen are Lefft Josiah Morton and Major Jeams Warren John Barnes Capt John Dyer & Stephen Churchell.

Assessors

The Assessors That ware Chosen are Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> Capt John Dyer & Left Josiah Morton. Cap John dyer being Then present Refused to serve as assessor.

Town Treasur

At sd meeting Gersham Foster was Chosen Town Treasurer

Cunstables Yoted That ye highest in number of Votes Should Carry it for 3 Cunstables.

The Cunstables That are Chosen are John may Benjaman mory & Return Waite

Grand Jurors

The Grand Jury men That ware Chosen are Josiah Carver: John fance

pety Jurors

The pety Jurors yt were Chosen to serve at march Court next are Seth Barns Capt Ebeneser Dogget melatiah Lathrop: & Benja<sup>n</sup> Bartlett

Another assessor Chosen Tythingmen The Town proceded and made Choyce of Dr John Foster assessor in ye Room of Cap<sup>t</sup> John Dyer who Refused to Serve

The Tythingmen That are Chosen are George Holmes Elkana Totman Sam<sup>11</sup> Nelson Nath<sup>11</sup> Chubbuck

a Com<sup>tee</sup> Refering to ye alewives Voted that John murdock Esq<sup>r</sup> Mr John harlow & Col<sup>11</sup> Lathrop, Josiah Carver Stephen Churchell & Sam<sup>11</sup> Nelson, be a Committee To Draw up something To offer To The Town In Reference To The alewifes and to make y<sup>r</sup> Report as soon as they can

Ajournment

Voted That The Town meeting Be ajourned To monday ye 12<sup>th</sup> of This Instant march at 10 clock & they were accordingly ajorned by ye moderator.

Mar 12 1733

Att a Town meeting held by adjournment on monday 12th of march 1732/3 The Town proceeded and passed a Vote if They would farm out The highways as formerly They had done.

Highways

Voted That the highways be let out To some perticuler men for ye space of Seven years.

Survayers of ye high ways Voted That Left Josiah Morton and Thomas holmes & Joseph warren and Joseph Bartlett be Survayers of The highways and To have ye same pay That They had for Sundry years past & To give in Bonds To ye Selectmen To Indemnific ye Town

Voted yt ye Selectmen of The Town agree with ye Survayers To mend ye highways of ye Town for ye tearm of Seven years from this day and That they Be paid anually out of ye Town Treasury The sum of Twelve pence per head for Every Rateable Poll and That ye Selectmen Take proper Bonds of Them Concerning sd affair so as to Indemnific ye Town. Bridges To be mend according To Late agreements. Voted that Nath<sup>1</sup> Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>1</sup> Joseph warren Joseph Bartlett havaland Tory Benjamin Rider Lemuell morton Major Jeames Warren Samuell

fence Vewers Burg Thomas Bates be fence Vewers for ye year Ensuing

hog reaves

Voted That Benjamin Lothrop John Crandon Elizer ring. Thomas Bartlett, Caleb Tinkum Nath<sup>11</sup> Bartlett Benjamin pratt, Elkana Churchill Joseph peirce Be hog Reaves for ye Ensuing year.

[66.] The Leather Sealers That ware Chosen are Cap Benja

Leather Sel<sup>rs</sup> Warren: John Rider

Survayers of The Survayers of lumber are Capt John Dyer:

Lumber Stephen Churchill.

County
The Town put In their Votes for a County
treasurer & delivered them to Return Waite

Voted that Elezer Roggers Be Saxton for ye Ensuing year

There was a Vote Called wheither they would alow ye Saxton Twelve pounds for ye Ensuing year it pased in ye negative; & Elezer Roggers being ther present Refused to Serve

Saxton.

The Town made Choyce of Ebenezer Curtis as Saxton for this year and to allow him ten pounds for his service

Preamble

The Town taking into Consideration That whearas the fish Commonly Called alewifes Commonly Coming up the Town Brook or River are of publick use and service to ye sd Town and That by the Irregular practices of Sundry of the Inhabittants of Late years Great Destruction & waste hath been made of Them which Ill practices If not timely prevented may Probably End In ye Turning ye Course of sd fish and The Town thearby Loose ye Benefitt of Them for ye Preventing of which Irregular Practices The Town in Town meeting for that purpose (among other things) Regularly warned have Agreed and Voted To be Enacted as follows, viz.

- 1. That theare Be a Good Convenient & Sutable way made for their passing up the Brook at ye Charge of those to whom it Belongs and that Care may Be Taken That they Be not hindered by Wares or other obstructions.
- 2. That no person under no pretence Whatsoever shall Take any of sd fish for sale and That Each and Every Inhabitant Shall

be Regulated by the Committee for ye quantity That they make for their Severall families as also ye fishermen for their Bate

- 3. That none of ye so fish Shall Be Taken at any time in The night season while They are passing up so Brook by any Person Whatsoever without Leave first had of ye Committee under whose Inspection ye Brook shall be put under ye pennalty of Twenty Shilings per Barrell and so in proportion for a lesser quantity.
- 4. That if any Person shall Presume To Enter into ye sd Brook To by Beating or Threshing theare or to Take any of sd fish any otherwise Than by hand or by Scoop nets shall for Every such ofence forfit and pay ye sum of four shilings and ye same fine for Leaveing ye heads or Guts in or near sd Brook
- 5. That if any of The Inhabitants of ye neighbouring Towns or fishermen That may Come Into this harbour for Bate & Stand in need ye Committe upon aplication made to them shall Grant liberty to such persons neighbours or fishermen to Take as many as sd Committee Shall se Cause ye sd Comitte Taking of them a Reasonable alowance not Exceeding five Shilings pr Barrell
- 6. That ye Committe are to advise in ye Towns Behalf & to Desire ye miller to stop The Grinding mill as often & as long as they Judge necessary for ye fish to pass up said Brook.
- 7. That ye former Act by ye Town made on ye 26 day of January 1730/1 Be and by these are hearby Revoked anuled & Every Article thearin made Voide by this act.

Finally That There Be a Committe appointed by The Town To Take Care that these by Laws and orders & Every article in them Contained be observed & kept & if any person shall ofend against any of Them Then ye Committe or ye major part of them to Be agents in the Towns Behalf To prosecute such ofenders in ye Law and Recover in the name of ye Town; Each of which sd fines are to be to ye use of ye poor of ye Town of Plymouth & defraying ye Charge of prosecution & no other use whatsoever & this act to Continue in force till ye Town see Cause otherwise to allter it The above sd act is alowed & approved by ye quarter sessions at the Court held att Plymouth on the first Thursday of March 1732/3 Atesed John Winslow Clerk.

[67.] Voted That Nath<sup>11</sup> Thomas Jun<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> Thomas Spooner Com<sup>tee</sup>

Nehemiah Ripley Timothy morton & Ebenezer Curtis

Be the Committe To Take care That Every article in

ye afore sd Act Relateing to ye alewifes be observed and kept.

Comtee

Voted That Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> major warren and Sam<sup>11</sup> Bartlett should Be a Committe To Exammine & settle ye acompts between ye Town & ye Treasurer Capt John Dyer & make Report thearof unto the Town.

There was Considerable Debate about a Complaint of Severall of the Town about Grinding The Towns Grain and then it was put to a vote wheither they would defer ye matter till ye next Town meeting & it passed in ye afirmative.

Ministry at Manomet Voted That the Inhabitants of monoment Ponds should draw out of ye Town Treasury what they have paid Towards ye support of ye Reverend Mr Lenard for ye year 1732 in order to support of their own minister.

At a Town meeting held at Plymouth on ye 16 day of Aprill 1733 At sd meeting ye Town made Choyce of Capt John Dyer Moderator and ye Proceeded and Chose Decon haviland Torry and Decn John Atwood Grand Jurymen

Grand Jurors Petit Jurors

The Petit Jurors are John Morton and Decn John Foster Robbert Brown and Sam<sup>11</sup> Bartlett Jun<sup>r</sup>

Voted that the matter Concerning ye Examineation of ye Treasurers acet be deferd Till the next Town Meeting.

May 14 1733

Att a Town Meeting held at ye Court house in Plymouth on the 14<sup>th</sup> of May 1733 at sd meeting ye Town made Choice of Capt John Dyer Town Clerck for ye day and he was sworn by Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> at said meeting ye Town made choice of Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator

Moderator

The Town made Choice of Cap<sup>t</sup> Richard Waite and Cap<sup>t</sup> William Dyer To serve at ye Inferior Court to be held at Plymouth this present month.

Jurymen

Representative

The Town made Choice of Jeames Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> To serve as Representative for ye Isuing year. The Com<sup>tee</sup> apointed to Examine ye Town Treasurers acct made Report of their doings & left it on file.

Voted that ye Comtee which ye Town Chose to Examine ye Treasures acct should be Paid for their times & Expenses viz to Josiah Cotton Esqr 8<sup>s</sup>.5<sup>d</sup> to Sam<sup>11</sup> Bartlet 7<sup>s</sup>-5<sup>d</sup> To Cap<sup>t</sup> John Dver 28-5d.

Birds

Voted that theare be the sum of two pence pr head Paid out of ye Town Treasurey To Each person that shall kill any Black birds & four pence pr head for Crows, & to be Regulated as in ye year 1726 and to be the same vote only Jaybirds is to be aded in with ye Black birds. Concerning ye Rams the Last years vote is Confirmed and stands in force.

July 23 1733

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 23d day of July 1733 at sd meeting the Town

Moderator

made choice of Isaac Lathrop Esqr to be Moderator at sd meeting the Town made choice of John Dyer to be Town Clerk for the remaining part of the year, and was sworn to the faithfull discharge of the office by Nathaniel Thomas

Town Clerk

Esqr

At sd Town Meeting the Town made choice of John Dyer to be Town Treasurer for the remaining part of this year.

Town Treasurer

petit Jurors for Sepr

Ministers Salery

At sd meeting the Town made choice of Ephraim Cob and Josiah Sturtevant to be Jurors to serve on ve Jury of tryals for September sessions next. Voted to Raise the sum of forty pounds on the Poles & Estates on such of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth who are properly to pay the same to be added to ye Reverend Mr Nathaniel Leonards stated Salery which is One hundred & ten pounds so that the whole amounts to One hundred and fifty pounds for this present year.

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An account of what is necessary to be raised on the Town for this present year was read in Town Charges Town meeting which is as followeth

Towards the schools

84.0.0

Towards the bell

30.0.0

Towards Wild Cats	10.0.0
To ye Saxton	10.0.0
repairs of ye Meeting house	12.0.0
To ye Assessors	8.0.0
to ye Surveyors	20.0.0
ye Treas <sup>r</sup> Commissions	10.0.0
To the Poor	40.0.0
	224.0.0

each article was voted particularly by itself

Voted that the sd sum of Two hundred and Twenty four pounds be raised on the Poles and Estates of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth and they be assessed for the same

There was a debate about selling the School house & the Land whereon it stands to Ebenezer Curtis after some time there was a vote called whether the Town would sell the School house & Land whereon it stands to sd Curtis and it passed in ye Negative.

There was a vote also called Whether they would sell any Land on ye side of fort hill or at the foot thereof beyound Mrs Wethrels Stable and it passed in ye Negative.

Meeting house Voted that Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> John Murdock Esq<sup>r</sup> and John Dyer be a Committe to take care that the Meeting House be repaired where it is needfull and perticularly to do something about the Decons seat that it be removed so far back as it may be even in the front with Mr Leonards Pew

Aug 13 1733

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the thirteenth day of August 1733 at sd Meeting the Town made choice of Capt Benjamin Warren to be Moderator

Committe
to Examine
& settle The
Town Treasurers
Acc<sup>t</sup>

At sd meeting John Murdock Esq<sup>r</sup> Isaac Lathrop Jun<sup>r</sup> & Samuel Bartlett Jun<sup>r</sup> are chosen to Examine & settle the former Town Treasurers Accompt and to receive of Decon John Foster what money and bonds he hath of the Towns in his hands, and to a receipt for the same and to make report the next Town Meeting

Dec 17 1733

Att a Town Meeting Held at Plymouth on the seventeentb Day of December A D 1733 The

Moderator

Town Made Coyce of The Honble Isaac Lothrope Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator.

T. Clerk for ve D

Att sd Meeting The Town appointed & Chose John Winslow for ye Day who was Sworne according to Law

Petit Juriours

Att sd Meeting ye Town Made Choyce of Jonathan Eames John Harlow Elisha Barrow & Nathan Delano to serve on a Jury of Tryals at December Court

Maj Warren

Att sd Meeting The Town Made Choyce of Majr Warren To answer at Decembr Court to the Towns Presentment for not keeping ye way In Repair agst Capt Warrens & for not haveing a Bridge over Agawam River

chose agent

[69.] Att sd Meeting the Town Voted that the sum of Ten Pounds be Lent by the Town & paid out of ye Town Treasurey to be Delivered to Mr Stephen Churchell to be Disposed of by him To & for the use of Mrs Sarah Little widdow of the Late Revend Mr Ephraim Little our Former Minester and that Deacon Foster & Deacon Torrey together with Mr Churchell be a Committe to Talk with the sd Mrs Little Relating to her Future Maintaineance & That they make Report to the Town at ye next Town Meeting to which Time the Further Consideration of her affair is Continued.

Mrs Littles affairs

Mar 4th 1734

At a Town meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House March 4th 1733/4 at sd Meeting Isaac Lothrop Esqr was chosen Moderator

Moderator

The Grandjurors that are chosen for the

Grand Jurors

Ensuing year are John Harlow and Eleazer Holmes

Petit Jurors

The Petit Jurors that are chosen to serve for March Court Instant are Isaac Lothrop Jun<sup>r</sup> Joseph Bartlett Junr Abiel Pulcifer and Redolphus Hatch.

Selectmen

The Selectmen that be chosen are Leut Josiah Morton Stephen Churchell Decon Haviland Torry Thomas Holmes and John Dyer The Assessors are Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> John Dyer and Leu<sup>t</sup> Josiah Morton

Constables

The Constables that are chosen are Joseph Rider Jun<sup>r</sup> Joseph Warren and Mica Gibs

Joseph Warren declared his non Acceptance as Constable and paid five pounds as a fine

The sd Joseph Rider Jun<sup>r</sup> being chosen Constable for the year Ensuing and the sd Rider haveing agreed with Abiel Pulcifer to serve as Constable in his room and sd Pulcifer declared in open Town Meeting his willingness to serve as Constable in the room of sd Joseph Rider Jun<sup>r</sup>. Voated that ye said Abiel Pulcifer be Constable for the year Ensuing in the Roome of sd Joseph Rider.

Highways

The Surveyors of the highways that be chosen are Josiah Morton Thomas Holmes Joseph Warren and Joseph Bartlett and they are to give in Bonds to the Selectinen to Idemnify the Town concerning any charge that may arise thereon (Bridges onely to be mended according to late agreements) for which they are to draw out of the Treasury twelve pence per head for every Ratable Pole. The Tythingmen are Nehemiah Riply David Turner Benjamin Cornish and Israel Fearing. Voted that affair about Mrs Little be continued to the next Town meeting.

Francis Adams Voted that Major James Warren John Barnes and Thomas Holmes be a Committe to view the land that was formerly laid out to Francis Adams but not returned.

Voted that the Town meeting be adjorned to the last munday on this Instant March and it was accordingly adjorned to sd day at 10 a clock in the forenoon by Isaac Lothrop Esq Moderator.

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House by Adjornment from the fourth day of March to the last munday in March Instant at ten a Clock in the forenoon at sd meeting Thomas Bartlett was chosen Constable sd Bartlett paid five pounds. Voted at sd Meeting that the Town Treasurer do draw

in the Intrest money of the bonds due to the Town for the mile & half Land yearly as it becomes due and whosoever doth not pay in sd money shall be liable to be sued for the same.

Treasurer Decon John Foster is chosen Town Treasurer.

Fence viewers that be chosen are Samuel Nelson Timothy Morton Joseph Warren Joseph Bartlett Israel Fearing Decon John Atwood.

[70.]

Committe

At sd Meeting the Town made choice of a Committe to Examine and settle the Town Treasurers accompts the Committe are Maj<sup>r</sup> James Warren Haviland Torry Mr Isaac Lothrop Jun<sup>r</sup>.

The Leather sealers are Jonathan Barnes Jun & George Holmes Voted that the Swine be confined.

The Hog Reves are George Holmes Nathaniel Jackson Thomas Spooner Ebenezer Cobb Timothy Morton Thomas Faunce ye third Elkanah Churchell Nathaniel Warren John Sturtevant at Manument Ponds Sam<sup>11</sup> Burge and John Morton.

The Surveyors of Lumber are John Dyer & Stephen Churchell. Field drivers are John Cooper Benjamin Lothrop & Nathaniel Foster.

The Grandjurors that are chosen for the next Superiour Court are Mr John Foster & John Dyer.

The Petit Jurors that be chosen are Mr Haviland Torry Stephen Churchell Samuel Donham Thomas Spooner.

Francis
Adams
5½ acres
of Land

At sd Meeting John Finney is chosen Constable Laid out to Mr Francis Adams 5½ acres of Land bounded by Samuel Kings southerly corner being a Pine tree and by sd Kings Land 23 Pole to a white Oak bush marked on 4 sides and thence Southwest 44 pole to a walnut bush marked by little pond and thence Southerly by sd Pond to James Barnebes land to a stake with stones about it being the Westerly corner bounds of land laid out the same day to Capt Church and then by sd Churches land to the Pine tree first mentioned, Reserving ways through sd land where they may be wanted

Layd out March 21, 1710/11

At the Town Meeting aforesd the Town Voted to quit their claim to the land aforesd upon Mr Francis Adams paying the sum of 7:15:3 by the first of April next

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grant of

in aid of

schools

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on ye thirteenth day of May 1734. At sd meeting Isaac Lothrop Esqr was chosen Moderator.

Representative

petition for province lands

At sd Meeting Majr James Warren was chosen Representative for ye Ensuing year. At sd Meeting Thomas Jackson & Lemuel Barnes were chosen to serve on the Jury of tryals at the Inferiour Court on this present May ses-Voted that a Petition be prefered to the Honorable General Court at Boston for the Grant of a Tract of the unapropriated Lands belonging to the Province for the support of a School or schools in sd Town of Plymouth and that Isaac Lothrop and James Warren Esqrs are appointed ajents in behalf of sd Town to prefer a Petition for the same.

Notice of town meetings

Voted that there be Posts set up in Several parts of the Town for to Set up Notifications of Town Meeting for the time to come dureing the Towns pleasure viz: to Set up one Post at the Northerly corner of Nathaniel Thomas Esqr his fence near ye Court House and one Post by the School house at Ele river and one Post at Manument Ponds near the Meeting house and one Post at Agawam near the Public house by the Griss Mill.

## [71.] Plymouth May the 20th 1734

No 1

We the subscribers being appointed by the Town of Plymouth as Estimators & Surveyors to view & lay out the Lands within the mile & half that was not otherwise disposed off. We Estimate a Peice of Land containing thirty feet in wedth from the top Coles commonly so called and Runing down into the Bay only reserving a way through sd Land at the foot of the Hill of thirty feet wide. lying to the Southward of the Common Land left at the end of the new street for a landing place for vessels to lay on shore sd Land being Estimated

Isaac Lothrop for Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> for five pounds the sd Lothrop to keep up the side of the Hill.

Laid out also by us & is Bounded as followeth viz: Begining at a stone set into the ground at the foot of Coles Hill next to the new street at high water mark from thence South 21 degrees East to a stone set into the ground at the foot of sd Hill being thirty feet in wedth to Run down into the Bay along by the Common Land left for a Landing place below the New Street and also to run up thirty feet in wedth up to the top of Coles Hill at the head of said Lott onely sd Lothrop leaving a way from the foot of the Hill thirty feet in wedth across said Lott, sd Lothrop to keep up sd Hill so far as is contained in his Lott.

John Dyer
John Murdock
John Foster

| Estimators and Surveyors.

To Capt John Dyer Town Clerk these may inform you that I have received five pounds of Isaac Lothrop within mentioned in full for the Lands within mentioned. I say Received this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 1734

John Foster Town Treasurer

Isaac Lothrops Grant By virtue of the Vote of the Town on the ninth day of August 1725 for the consideration of the sum of five pounds paid by Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> unto John Foster Town Treasurer for the use of the Town of Plymouth the sd Town have Granted and sold unto the sd Isaac Lothrop his heires and assignes for ever the Land as before laid out and described.

No 3

Plymouth May the 20th 1734.

Thomas Foster We the Subscribers Being Appointed by the Town of Plymouth as Estimators and surveyors to view and Lay out the Lands within the mile and half that was not otherwise disposed off. We Estimate a Peice of Land for Thomas Foster Containing Thirty feet in wedth from the top of Coles Hill commonly so called and Runing down into the Bay only reserving a way through sd Land at the foot of the Hill of thirty feet wide sd Land Lying to the Southwest of John Watson Esqrs Lott of Land being the 2<sup>d</sup> Lott said Land being Estimated at four pounds

and the sd Foster to keep up the side of the Hill. Laid out also by us and is bounded as followeth viz: Begining at a stone set into the ground at the foot of Coles Hill in the Range of John Watson Esq. Lott at highwater mark from thence South 21 degrees East to a stone set into the ground at the foot of sd Hill being thirty feet in wedth to Run down into the Bay a Long by sd Watsons Lott and also to Run up thirty feet in Wedth up to the top of Coles Hill at the head of said Lott only sd Foster leaving a way from the foot of ye Hill thirty feet in wedth a Cross sd Lott, sd Foster to keep up said Hill so far as is contained in his Lott

John Dyer
Isaac Lothrop
John Foster

| Estimators and Surveyors

Plymouth May 20<sup>th</sup> 1734. To Cap<sup>t</sup> John Dyer Town Clerk. Sir these may Certify you that I have received of the within mentioned Thomas Foster the sum of four pounds in full of the within Land. I say Received pr me

John Foster Town Treasurer

By virtue of the vote of the Town on the ninth day of August 1725 for the Consideration of the sum of four pounds paid by Thomas Foster unto John Foster Town Treasurer for the use of ye Town of Plymouth the sd Town have Granted and sold unto the sd Thomas Foster his heirs & assignes for ever the Land as before Laid out and described.

[72.] Plymouth May the 20th 1734.

No 5

We the Subscribers being appointed by the Town of Plymouth as Estimators and Surveyors to view and lay out the Lands within the mile and half that was not otherwise disposed off. We Estimate a Peice of Land for Quintin Crymble containing Thirty feet in wedth from the top of Coles Hill commonly so called Runing down to ye foot of the hill to Two stones sett into the ground by the way side sd way to be thirty feet wide a Cros the Lott at the foot of the Hill above the thirty feet of Land runing down into the Bay formerly

Quintin Crymble granted to Abiel Shurtleff. We Estimated the sd land on the side of the Hill above said at thirty shillings and the said Crymble to keep up the side of ye Hill. Laid out also by us & is bounded as followeth viz: Begining at a stone set into the ground at the foot of Coles Hill in the Range of James Warrens Lott at high water mark from thence South 14 degrees East to a stone set into the ground at the foot of sd Hill being thirty feet in wedth to Run down into the Bay along by tue Southerly side of sd Warrens Lott and also to Run up thirty feet in Wedth up to the top of Coles Hill at the head of sd Lott only sd Cymble Leaving a Way from the foot of the Hill thirty feet in Wedth a Cross sd Lott sd Cymble to keep up sd Hill so far as is Contained in his Lott

John Dyer
Isaac Lothrop
John Foster

| Estimators and Surveyors

Received of the within mentioned Quintin Crymble the within mentioned sum of Thirty shillings in full of the within Grant of the Town to him. I say Received this 28th day of June 1734

By virtue of the vote of the Town on the ninth day of August 1725 for the Consideration of the sum of Thirty Shillings paid by quintin Crymble unto John Foster Town Treasurer for the use of the Town of Plymouth the Town have granted and sold unto ye sd Quintin Crymble his heirs and assignes for ever the Land as before laid out and described.

[73.] No 6

Plymouth May the 20th 1734

Quintin Crymble We the subscribers Being appointed by the Town of Plymouth as Estimators and Surveyors to view and lay out the Lands within the mile and half that was not otherwise disposed off. We Estimate a Peice of Land Containing fifty feet in Wedth from the top of Coles Hill Commonly so called and Runing down to the foot of the Hill to two stones set into the ground by the way side, sd Land lying to the Southward of Abiel Shurtleffs

Land on the side of sd Hill. We Estimate the sd Land for quintin Crymble at fifty shillings and the sd Crymble to keep up the side of the Hill. Laid out also by us and is bounded as followeth viz: Begining at a stone set into ye ground at the foot of Coles Hill in the Range of Abiel Shurtleffs Lot at highwater mark from thence South 14 degrees East to a stone set into the ground at the foot of sd Hill being fifty feet in wedth to Run up to the top of the Hill to two stakes drove into the ground being fifty feet distance from each other on the top of sd Hill, sd quintin Crymble to keep up sd Hill so far as is Contained in his Lott.

John Dyer
Isaac Lothrop
John Foster

Surveyors

Plymouth May ye 20th 1734

This may Certify you that I have received of the within mentioned quintin Crymble the sum of fifty shillings in full of the within premises to him Granted. I say Rec<sup>d</sup> pr me

John Foster Town Treasurer

To Capt John Dyer Town Clerk.

Crymble

By virtue of the Vote of the Town on the ninth day of August 1725 for the Consideration of the sum of fifty shillings paid by Quintin Crymble unto John Foster Town Treasurer for the use of the Town of Plymouth the Town have granted & sold unto the sd Quintin Crymble his heirs and assignes for ever the Land as before Laid out as described.

## No 4 Plymouth May 21th 1734

We the Subscribers Being appointed by the Town of Plyth Estimators and Surveiors to view and lay out the Lands within the mile & half that was not otherwise disposed off.

James Warren We Estimated a Peice of Land for James Warren containing thirty feet in wedth from ye top of Coles Hill Commonly so called and runing down into the Bay onely reserving a way through sd Land at the foot of the Hill of thirty feet wide said Land lying

to the Southeastward of John Fosters Lott of Land fifteen feet of sd Land from high water mark into ye Bay being part of the thirty feet of Land granted to Capt James Warren deceased the remainder of sd Land being Estimated for James Warren at two pounds & fifteen shillings and the sd Warren to keep up the side of the Hill so far as is contained in his lott.

Laid out also by us & is bounded as followeth viz: Begining at a stone sett into the Ground at the foot of Coles Hill in the Range of John Fosters Lott at high water mark from thence South 14 degrees East to a stone set into the ground at the foot of sd Hill being thirty feet in Wedth to Run down into the Bay along by sd Fosters Lott and also to run up to the top of Coles Hill at the head of sd Lott, onely sd Warren Leaving a way from the foot of the Hill thirty feet in wedth a Cross sd Lott, sd Warren to keep up sd Hill so far as is contained in his Lott.

John Dyer
John Foster
Isaac Lothrop

Estimators
&
Surveyors

Plymouth May 21 1734

To John Dyer Town Clerk these may Certify that I then Received two pound & fifteen shillings of James Warren of Plymouth in full for the within Granted Land. I say Received per me

John Foster Town Treasurer.

[74.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the nineteenth day of August 1734. At sd Meeting Cap<sup>t</sup> Benjamin Aug 19<sup>th</sup> Warren was chosen Moderator.

Voted that there be a Committe to Examine the Town Treasurers accompt against the next Town Meeting and the Committe are the same persons as did formerly Examine the Treasurs Accompts viz: Decon Haviland Torry Mr Isaac Lothrop Jun Maj James Warren and John Dyer is added to sd Committe

Benejah Voted that Benejah Prat shall have forty paid him Pratt out of the Town Treasury in full for his cureing Ruth Donhams children off their Scald heads.

At sd Meeting an accompt of what money is necessary to be raised to defray the charges ariseing within the Town of Plymouth for the year 1734 was read & voted

Town	To the Schools	84.0.0
charges	To the Assessors	6.0.0
	To ye Surveyors of ye Highways	20.0.0
	To ye Treas' Commissions	10.0.0
	To the Poor	40.0.0
	To Wild Cats	10.0.0
	To the Saxton	10.0.0
		180.0.0

Juries

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the sixth day of September 1734 at sd Meeting Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator. The Petit Jurors to serve on the Jury of tryals at the next Inferiour Court on September Instant are David Turner and Thomas Foster.

Plymouth September the 6th 1734

Wee the Subscribers Being appointed by the Town of Plymouth as Estimators and Surveyors to view lay out and dispose of the Lands within the mile and half that was not otherwise disposed off

James Warren We Estimated a peice of Land for James Warren of Plymouth aforesd lying & being at the foot of the Fort Hill in Plymouth on the Westerly side of the way that leads from the meeting House Northerly at the foot of sd Hill & is over against the vacancy that is between the Barnes of Isaac Lathrop Esq<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Clarke and containeth thirty feet front on sd way and Twenty five feet back We Estimated sd Land for the sd James Warren at forty shillings.

Isaac Lothrop
John Dyer
John Foster

Estimators
and
Surveyors

Pursuant to a vote of the Town of Plymouth at a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 9th day of August 1725 for and in Consideration of the sum of three pounds one shilling by Samuel Bartlett merchant & Lazerus Lebaron Phititian of sd Plymouth well & truly paid for the use of the Town unto John Dyer Gent Town Treasurer of sd Plymouth hath given granted bargained made

Bartlett &
Lebaron
Shop lat.

over & confirmed unto them the sd Samuel Bartlett & Lazerus Lebaron & to their heirs & assignes for ever a certain peice of Land lying below Coles Hill in Plymouth & bounded as follows Plymouth Nov<sup>2</sup> 24 1733. Laid out by us the Subscribers below Coles Hill to Samuel Bartlett & Lazarus Lebaron a peice of Land being thirty foot square Southerly by the Land of Ephraim Cole Deceased westerly by the Hill Notherly by the Towns Land, Easterly by the road, it being the Land wheron the shop which was Francis Lebarons Deceased now stands.

Benj<sup>n</sup> Warren
John Foster
John Dyer

Surveyors
&
Estimators

Plymouth November 24: 1733 Then Received of Lazeras Lebaron the sum of three pounds & one shilling for the use of the Town of Plymouth on the acet of the within mentioned Land per John Foster

Town Treas<sup>r</sup>

## [75.] Plymouth May 20th 1734

We the Subscribers being appointed by the Town of Plymouth as Estimators & Surveyors to view and lay out the Lands within the mile and half that was not otherwise disposed of.

Mr John Murdock We Estimated a peice of Land for Mr John Murdock being bounded as followeth viz: begining at a stone set in the ground on the westerly side of the way West 5 degrees Northerly 74 feet to a stone set in the ground on the side of the hill and from thence North ten degrees West 12 feet to the foot way that goes down the hill and from thence Northeast 1 degree Northerly 33 feet to the stone set in the ground and from thence East 4 degrees Southerly to a stone set in the ground by the Cartway being on the westerly side of said way and then by the way to the bounds first mentioned, sd Land being Estimated at four pounds which he hath already paid to the Town Treasurer and the sd Land is sold

Jona Barnes

to the said John Murdock to him and to his heires & assignes for ever.

John Dyer
Benja<sup>n</sup> Warren
John ffoster

Estimators
&
Surveyors

Plymouth December 11th 1734. Then laid to Jonathan Barnes seventeen acres and a quarter of Land lying adjoyning to Lout Pond bounded as followeth begining at Stephen Churchels Westerly corner bounds by Lout Pond being two small white oak Saplins marked near the Pond thence by Stephen Churchels land ye Range being Northeast ten degrees Northerly seventy nine Rods to a heap of stones and from thence by the way Westerly to an oak tree marked on four sides where two ways meet being John Barnes corner bounds from thence South Westerly by the way till it comes to Lout Pond and from thence to Lout Pond to a White oak tree marked on four sides by the Ponds side and from thence by the Pond Southeasterly to the bounds first mentioned

Benjamin Warren John Dyer } Surveyors

[76.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 1734. At said Meeting the Town made choice of Cap<sup>t</sup> John Winslow for Moderator. At sd Meeting the Town made choice for Jurors to serve at the Inferiour Court at the Sessions to be held at Plymouth on this Instant December the persons chose are Caleb Stetson Thomas Mayhew Joshua Donham and William Harlow

Sam<sup>1</sup> Kempton We the Subscribers being appointed to view and dispose of the Towns Land Excepting what the said Town had reserved to themselves and haveing viewed sd Land for Samuel Kempton we value it to be worth forty shillings. We have Laid out for Samuel Kempton on the 24th day of May 1733 the sd Land which Lyeth near to Ephraim Kemptons

House by the Road way at or near the bottom of the Hill below the way that goes to Francis Curtis Jun's House, to begin at a Stone set in the ground below sd way to Range by the Road way that goes down the Hill Thirty Two feet East ten degrees South and so to range eighteen feet back from the Road upon a square the sd Samuel Kempton his heires and Assigns is prohibited for ever not to build or set up a Smiths shop on sd Land

> Isaac Lothrop Benja Warren John Dyer John Foster

Surveyors

To Mr John Dyer Town Clerk. These may Certify that upon March 1st 1734/5 I then Received of the within mentioned Samuel Kempton the sum of forty shillings for the within mentioned Received by me John Foster Town Treasurer.

Deacon Foster

We Isaac Lothrop Benjamin Warren and John Dyer being chosen & by the Town of Plymouth to view and dispose of the Town Land within the mile & half Excepting what they had reserved to themselves being desired by Decon John Foster to view & Estimate a peice of Land lying at the mouth of the Town Pond on the Beach a Little to the Norward of the Bredge we value said Land to be worth forty shillings. and for the Consideration of the sum of forty shillings paid by John Foster to sd John Foster Treasurer of sd Town of Plymouth for the use of sd Town. We have Laid out to sd John Foster a peice of Land of forty feet in Length and thirty feet in Wedth a Little to the Northward of the Bridge on the Beach to him his heires and Assignes for ever.

1735 Mar 3d Moderator Town Clerk

[77.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the third day of March 1734/5. At sd Meeting Isaac Lothrop Esqr was chosen Moderator. At sd Meeting John Dyer was chosen Town Clerk & sworn by Isaac Lothrop Esqr.

Selectmen

The Selectmen that be chosen are Josiah Morton James Warren Thomas Howland Samuel Nelson and Lazerus LeBaron. At sd meeting Deacon John Foster was chosen Town Treasurer.

Assessors

The Assesors are Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> Josiah Morton and John Dyer.

Constables

Voted that the highest persons in the votes for Constables on each side of the Town Brook shall be Constable. The Persons chosen are Thomas Murdock & Barnabas Churchell. for Agawam the person chosen is Josiah Swift. Abiel Pulcifer appeared in Town Meeting and paid the sum of five pounds for Thomas Murdock his not serving as Constable.

Barnabas Churchell came into the Town Meeting & declared his refusall to serve in the place of Constable and paid the sum of five pounds.

Treasurer

At ad Meeting Deacon John Foster was Chosen Town Treasurer

Voted that Thomas Bartlett shall have the sum of three pounds paid him for what he paid for refuseing to serve in the place of Collector the Last Spring

Constables

At sd Meeting the Town proceeded and made choice of Constables being the others that were chosen had paid there fine, and the Constables that are chosen are Josiah Finney and Thomas Foster and the sd Thomas Foster being at sd Meeting declared his non acceptance and thereupon there was a vote called to know the Towns mind whether they would prosecute the said Thomas Foster and it passed in the affirmative.

Voted that Maj<sup>r</sup> James Warren shall prosecute the sd Thomas Foster for not serving in the place of Constable. At sd meeting Samuel King was chosen Constable.

Grand Jury

At sd Meeting the Town proceeded and made choice of Grandjurymen to serve for the ensuing year, the Persons that was chosen are Judah West and Joseph Bartlett Jun<sup>r</sup>

The Petit Jurors to serve at the Sessions on this Instant March are Barnabas Hedge Jona-

Petit Jurors

Adjournment

than Eames John Bartlett and Nathaniel Foster Voted that the Town Meeting be adjorned to the last munday on this Instant March at one o Clock in the afternoon and it was accordingly adjorned to sd time.

At an adjornment of the Town Meeting from the third day of March to the last Munday of March 1735. The Town met at ye Court house in Plymouth on sd day and chose Josiah Cotton Esg<sup>r</sup> Moderator.

Moderator

At sd Meeting Samuel King appeared and declared his non acceptance to serve in the place of Constable. At sd meeting Maj<sup>r</sup> James Warren was chosen to prosecute Samuel King for his refuseing to serve in the place of Constable.

At sd Meeting Thomas Jackson was chosen Constable.

At sd Meeting the surveyors of the highway that were chosen were the same that were the last year and to have the same pay. the persons were Josiah Morton Thomas Holmes Joseph Warren and Joseph Bartlett.

At sd Meeting Samuel Burge was chosen Tything man at Agawam within the Township of Plymouth. Elisha Barrow John Bartlett & Jonathan Barnes Jun<sup>r</sup> were chosen Tything men.

At sd Meeting the Sealers of Leather that were chosen were Thomas Spooner & George Holmes.

At sd Meeting the fence viewers that were chosen were the same yt were ye last year.

At sd Meeting the Hogreves that were chosen were Nathaniei Jackson Nehemiah Riply Asa Beale Joseph Morton Jun<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Cornish and Israel Fearing.

Surveyors of Lumber that were chosen were John Dyer & Stephen Churchell.

The feild drivers that are chosen are Benjamin Lothrop John Cooper & Nathaniel Foster

Surveyor of hemp & flax is Thomas Spooner. Josiah Finney declared his non acceptance to serve as Constable. Voted that Major James Warren shall prosecute Josiah Finney for not serving as Constable at the next quarter sessions. At sd Meeting William Harlow was chosen Constable. William Harlow appeared in Town Meeting and paid the sum of five pounds for not serving in the place of Constable.

The Grand jury for Superior Court are Mr John Atwood and John Morton.

The Petit Jurors for ye Superiour Court are Thomas Holmes Samuel Nelson Joseph Morton & Return Waite. William Donham is chosen Constable. Eleazer Rogers is chosen Saxton.

Voted that there be the sum of eight pounds paid out of ye Town Treasury to sd Eleazer Rogers

[78.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 12th day 1735 of May 1735. At sd Meeting Isaac Lothrop Esqr was chosen Moderator. At sd Meeting May 12 Representative majr James Warren was chosen Representative Voted that Fifteen Pounds be granted yearly grant of £15 yearly to Mrs Sarah Little Relict & Widow of the late Reverend Mr Ephraim Little deceased to Sarah Little during her continuance as Widow of the sd Mr Little and that the same be Draughted out of the Town Treasury by the Selectmen or by some meet Person whom they shall appoint and by the sd Selectmen or Person by them

Constable

Voted that Thomas Foster be Constable in the Room of William Donham.

appointed to be disposed for her use.

Voted that Return Waite be Constable in the Room of Thomas Jackson.

At sd Meeting Josiah Swift informed in Return of his Warrant that he was moved out of Town and should not serve as Constable.

At sd Meeting the Town proceeded to a new choice of Constable and Hezekiah Bourne was chosen to serve at Agawam.

Josiah Finney having declared his non aceptance to serve in the place of Constable the last Town Meeting. Voted that Majr James Warren shall prosecute Josiah Finney for his not serving in the place of a Constable.

Alewives

Voted that there be a Committe to draw up something for the better preservation and encrease of the alewives for the time to come in order to be delivered to some one of the Committe and to be preferred to ye General Court by Majr James Warren.

Voted that the Selectmen be a Committe to put one or more person or persons in place to look after the Alewives and to prosecute any breach that may be made contrary to the Town Act in force about Alewives. Committes Names are Nath<sup>1</sup> Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> John Murdock Esq<sup>r</sup> Samuel Bartlett Esq<sup>r</sup> Lazerus Lebaron Nath<sup>1</sup> Jackson Stephen Churchell Maj<sup>r</sup> James Warren Coll Lothrop, Sam<sup>11</sup> Nelson and Capt John Winslow and ye major part to Act in sd affair.

Voted that there be a Committe about the Alewives at half way pond and the Committe are Left Josiah Morton Capt James Warren Joseph Bartlett Joseph Warren Israel Fearing and Ebenezer Burge and the major part agreeing to be in force.

Committe about ye school At sd Meeting Voted that the Schools be continued till the last day of April next in the same method as they are now in and there be a Committe chosen to take care about Settling the School for the Term of Seven years and to make their report at the next annual meeting in March. the Committe that be chosen are Samuel Nelson John Murdock Esq<sup>r</sup> Left Josiah Morton Docter Lazerus Lebaron John Foster Joseph Warren & Israel Fearing.

Petit Jurors for May The Jurymen that are chosen to serve in May sessions are Capt Lemuel Drew and Nathaniel Shurtleff.

1735 Sept 5<sup>th</sup> At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 1735. At sd meeting the Town made choice of Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> for a Moderator.

Agawam Bridge Voated that Agawam Bridge be repaired. Voated that Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> shall get said Bridge repaired and go to Agawam to view said Bridge and to treat with the owners of the Mill about the high way and make report thereof at the next Town Meeting.

Committe Voated that there be a Committe to take care abt Coles Hill about any persons Intruding up on Coles hill.

Voated that Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> Lazerus Lebaron & Nathaniel Jackson be a Committe relating to the affairs of Coles Hill and to be anext to the former Committe that were to view & Estimate & dispose of the Common Land about Coles hill and Fort

hill within the mile & half Land & to make report thereof at the next Town meeting

Voted to Raise the sum of one hundred and seventy
Town five pounds on the Poles & Estates of the Inhabitants
Charges of the Town of Plymouth as by the perticular accompt hereafter mentioned

To the Surveyors	20.0.0
To Mrs Little	15.0.0
To the Assessors	8.0.0
To Bridges	18.0.0
To ye Schools	84.0.0
To Ringing ye Bell	8.0.0
To Wild Cats	10.0.0
Treasurer Commissions	12.0.0

175.0.0

Jurymen for Sept<sup>r</sup> The Jurymen that are chosen to serve in September Sessions are William Dyre Ebenezer Dogget Noah Samson and John Cobb

[79.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the 17th day of
1735 November 1735. At sd meeting the Town
Nov 17th made choice of Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> for ModerModerator ator

Jurymen for Dec<sup>r</sup> At sd meeting the Town made choice of Jurymen to serve on the Jury of Tryals for the next Inferiour Court to be held at Plymouth in December next the Persons chosen are Eleazer Churchell Samuel Rider Joseph Rider Jun & Seth Barnes.

Allowance to ye assessors for takeing the valuation. Voted that the Assessors that took the valuation of the Towns Estate the Last spring in order to send to the Generall Court this year shall be allowed and paid to them out of the Town Treasury the sum of six shillings and six pence pr day for their service.

The matter about Benejah Pratt contained in the Warrant whether they will allow him for his service in the Alms House is continued till next Town Meeting.

Voted That the Town joyne with the owners of the Dam belonging to the Mill at agawam in

Agawam Bridge a Committy. Plymouth for the Enlarging & Building the sd Dam higher & wider in order to make & use it as a Highway or Country Road fit for Travelling Carting &c and that Mr Josiah Morton & Mr Joseph Warren be a Committe to take care to get the work well done as soon and as cheap as they can and also to agree with the owners of sd mill & take Security from them for the paying half the Charge of maintaining of sd way after it is compleated The Town bearing the other half so long as the Town see cause to Continue a way there.

John Crandon

We the subscribers being apointed and Chosen a Committe by the Town of Plymouth in the County of Plymouth in New England To value sell and dispose of any Lands in that part of sd Town Called the mile & half Land which is not heretofore Dis-Haveing upon the Request of John posed of. Crandon of Plymouth aforesd Laid out to him a Certain house lott or Peice of Land below Coles Hill so called Bounded as Follows viz: begining four feet to the westward of the Coopers shop that of late pertained to John Watson Esqr Deceased in the sd Watsons line and from thence to Extend with sd Watsons range West Eight degrees Southerly up the hill Eighty three feet to a stone upon the Edge of the Banck which is twenty eight feet to the Eastward of Rickards fence and from thence to Extend North Eight degrees West forty feet to the way that was left for the use of the lotts Between the Land of Ephraim Cole Deceased and the Land of Francis Leparon Deceased which falls in the gutter and from thence by sd way East Eight degrees Northerly to the Lott of thirty feet square laid out formerly to the sd Mr Cole Deceased & then by the head of Mr Coles Lott to the way left between the Lotts of sd Cole & Watson Deceased, and so to the bounds first mentioned the uper of the way or the head thereof between the lands of sd Watson Esqr & Mr Cole being included in this survey The which Lott of Land Dillinated and Described We the subscribers Impowred as aforesaid have and by these presents Do for and in Consideration of four pounds already paid by the sd John Crandon to the Treasurer of sd Town sell and convey the same to him the said John Crandon his heirs & assignes for ever & to his and their own proper use Allways provided that the sd John Crandon his heirs & assignes Do keep up and maintaine the Hill Called Coles Hill above his sd Lott in as good Condition and circumstance as it now is in otherwise the sd Lott to Revert to the Town and in Confirmation of which Grant we have hereunto set to our hands this nineteenth Day of february Anno Domini 1735/6

Isaac Lothrop John Foster John Dyer

[80.]

1736 Mar 1<sup>st</sup> At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the first day of March 1735/6.

Moderator

At sd Meeting Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

Town Clerk

At sd Meeting John Dyer was chosen Town Clerk & sworn by Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup>.

Selectmen

At sd Meeting the Selectmen that were Chosen are Stephen Churchell Haviland Torry Lazerus Lebaron Samuel Nelson & Joseph Bartlett

Register votes

At sd Meeting the votes were given in for a Register for the County of Plymouth and were committed to Thomas Foster Constable of Plymouth in open Town meeting and sealed up

County Treas<sup>r</sup> votes At sd meeting the votes were given in for a Treasurer of the County of Plymouth and were committed to Thomas Foster Constable of Plymouth in open Town meeting & sealed up

Grandjury

At sd meeting the Town proceeded and made choice of two grandjurymen for the Ensuing year which are Mr Nathaniel Jackson & Samuel Kempton Petit Jurors The Petit Jurors that are chosen to serve at the Inferiour Court and General quarter Sessions of the Peace are Nathaniel Holmes of hobs hole Eleazer Churchell Barnabas Churchell and William Harlow.

Assessors

The Assessors that are chosen are Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> Left Josiah Morton and John Dyer. Left Josiah moved to the Town to Excuse him from serving as an Assessor and refuses to serve in sd office.

Constables

The Constables that are chosen are Ebenezer Dogget Robert Davie and Thomas Bates of Agawam.

Town Treas<sup>r</sup>

Schools
The Committe
that signed the
Report were
John Murdock
John Foster
Samuel Nelson
Lazerus

LeBaron

The Town Treasurer is Deacon John Foster. The report of the Committe about the schools was read in the Town Meeting and accepted Voated that the Grammer School be fixed in the midle of the Town where it now is and the ends of the Town namely Ele river Monument Ponds and Agawam draw all their part of the money they pay by Rate or Tax towards the suport of schools among themselves and for no other use and there be two or three suitable persons chosen in each part of the Town to take care to supply themselves with suitable schools & to draw their parts of the money yearly & every year Dureing the Term of seven years provided they keep schooling among themselves sufficient to draw the money

Voted—a Committe for three years Voted Docter Lazerus Lebaron Deacon Haviland Torry Mr Samuel Nelson Josiah Cotton Nathaniel Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Josiah Carver for ye grammer school. for Ele River Cap<sup>t</sup> Benjamin Warren Joseph Warren Thomas Bartlett. Left Josiah Morton Mr Joseph Bartlett & Benjamin Rider for Manument Ponds. Mr Israel Fearing Zephaniah Swift & Benjamin Norris for Agawam.

Constable

Robert Davie and Ebenezer Doggett being chosen Constables for the year ensuing and the sd Davie & Doggett haveing agreed with Judah West to serve as Constable in their rooms and the said Judah West declared in open Town Meeting his willingness to serve as Constable in the room of Rober Davie and Ebenezer Doggett Voted that Judah West be Constable in the room of Ebenezer Dogget and Robert Davie for the year ensuing.

The Town Meeting is adjorned to the last munday in this Instant March at ten a Clock in the Morning at the Court House the usual place.

Adjournment

At an adjornment of the Town Meeting held at Plymouth from the first day of March 1735/6 to the last munday of this Instant March 1736. At sd meeting Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> Continued to be Moderator.

Grandjurors

At sd Meeting the Town proceeded and made choice of two grand jurors to serve at the Superior Court in April next, and the persons chosen are John Dyer & Mr Haveland Torry.

Petit Jurors The Petit Jurors yt are chosen to serve at sol Court was Stephen Churchell Thomas Spooner Thomas Foster & Joseph Bartlett.

Assessor

Left Josiah Morton being chosen as Assessor and he haveing moved to the Town to Excuse him he refuses to serve in said office.

At this Meeting the Town proceeded and made choice of an Assessor to serve in his room and the person chosen was Mr Joseph Bartlett at Manument Ponds

Surveyor of ye highways Voted that Benejah Pratt be surveyor of the highways within the Township of Plymouth and he is to have paid him out of the Town Treasury the sum of twelve pence per head for every Ratable pole within the Town of Plymouth

[81.] At sd Meeting the Town made choice of Tything-Tythingmen men who are as follows Nehemiah Ripley and David Turner, and Israel Fearing at Agawam.

Fence viewers

The Fence viewers that are chosen are Benejah Pratt Thomas Holmes Israel Fearing Solomon Silvester and Joseph Warren and the same persons are chosen feild drivers Sealers of Leather Sealers of Leather are Thomas Spooner and Elisha Barrow.

Hog reves

The Persons chosen for hog Reves are Jonathan Barnes Jun<sup>r</sup> John Cooper Benjamin Lothrop & Samuel Burge. Elkanah Totman & Josiah Morton Jun<sup>r</sup> at Ele River Samuel Cornish & Hilkiah Tinkcom.

Surveyors of lumber

The Surveyors of Lumber are John Dyer Stephen Churchell & Judah West.

Surveyor of hemp & flax

Surveyor of hemp & flax is Deacon Haviland Torry

Saxton

Saxton is Eleazer Rogers. Voted he shall have the sum of 8.13.4 to be paid him out of the Town Treasury for his years service

Selectmen a Committe abt ye alewives The Selectmen who are Stephen Churchell Haviland Torry Lazerus Lebaron Samuel Nelson and Joseph Bartlett are chosen a Committe to look after the Alewives and regulate them as was lately Enacted by the Town. And the same Committe that was chosen last year are now chosen to look after the alewives at Agawam

Committe abt Coles Hill Voted that there be a Committe to look any Incumbrance on Coles Hill and to remove it or cause it to be removed as soon as may be. the said Committe are Nathaniel Jackson Docter Lazerus Le Baron Deacon Haviland Torry Thomas Foster Samuel Nelson and to make report thereof the next Town Meeting.

Money Raised abt School or Schools Horses Voted to raise the sum of eighty pounds includeing the mile & half money towards the Suport of a School or Schools

Voted that Samuel Nelson & Eleazer Holmes take care about the Horses that they be regulated according to the Province Law.

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House May 17th 1736. At sd Meeting Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

Representative

At sd Meeting James Warren Esqr was chosen Representative for the ensuing year.

Jurors for May The Jurors chosen to serve at May Court Instant was Jacob Taylor & Francis Curtis Jun. At sd Meeting Left Josiah Morton moved that they might have something allowed to them at Manument ponds about building a School house among them.

Abt a School House at Manument Voted that John Dyer John Foster & Isaac Lothrop Jun search what records they can find to see what was formerly drawn towards the School house at the Southern part of the Town and to make report the next Town Meeting; And the Consideration thereof and of Something to be Granted to Agawam for the same use is deferred to next Town Meeting.

Joshua Drew Voted that Joshua Drew shall have liberty to buy 30 feet of Land at the head of the wharf he builds on he paying for the same what the Committe shall Judge the same to be worth

James Warren Ajent abt ye way At sd Meeting Majr James Warren was chosen an Ajent to answer to the Towns presentment about the highway being presented it being about half a mile out of Town as it leads to Middleberough.

Nath<sup>1</sup> Jackson March the 3<sup>d</sup> 1710/11 then 15 acres of land granted or sold to Nathaniel Jackson, the 2<sup>d</sup> currant was laid out to him on the northwest of the way that leads to Lakenhan and bounded by a flat Rock on the Northeast corner near Shreiffs hole so called and from sd Rock the line to Extend Northwest about 40 pole to a small Red oak marked in the Range of Land formerly laid out to Thomas Howland and from sd tree the line to Extend West half a point southerly 64 pole to a tree marked on 4 sides near Doans feild so called and then the line to Extend South east and by South 32 pole to a heap of stones by the high way and then bounded by ye way to the bounds first mentioned leaving convenient ways if need be

for carting wood from other lots of land next to sd land. prized at 15/ p acre

James Warren Nath<sup>1</sup> Thomas

To Elder Thomas Faunce, Sr I have received bond of Mr Jackson for the within named Land being Eleven pounds five shillings.

John Watson Town Treasurer.

Plymouth february ye 8th 1711/12.

[82.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House August 9th 1736. At sd meeting Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator

At sd Meeting the Jurors chosen for to serve at September Court next are William Barnes Joseph Warren Maletiah Lothrop & John Cooper.

Town Charges

At sd meeting voted that there be the sum of one hundred & sixty pounds raised to defray the necessary charges of the Town

Negro woman Phillis At sd Meeting the Selectmen or any of them are appointed to make enquiry about Phillis a negro woman now in Plymouth when or where she were ever set free by her Master now deceased and to make report thereof at the next Town Meeting.

At sd Meeting Stephen Churchell was chosen an eelriver ajent to Act about Eleriver Bridge and to notify Bridge Barnstable County who are concerned therein.

At sd meeting Thomas Holmes Decon Haviland Torry & Judah West are chosen a Committe to take care about the way near Doans feild

Consider Howland Wee the Subscribers being appointed and chosen by the Town of Plymouth to be viewers and Estimators of the Common Land lying and being at Plymouth to the Northward of Mr Thomas Wetherells stable at the foot of the fort hill containing fifty feet in wedth above the way that leads to the Meeting House there being four stakes drove down into the ground at each corner said Land we valued to be worth four pounds.

Plymouth September 27th 1736. Then laid out to Consider Howland a certain peice of Land lying and being in Plymouth aforesaid about Eighty feet to the Northward of Mr Thomas Wethrels stable at the foot of fort Hill Bounded Begining at a stake set in the ground & so Runing by the way that leads to the meeting House fifty feet to a stake set in the ground & then Westerly up sd Hill thirty five feet then Southeasterly fifty feet to a stake and then thirty five feet Easterly to the bounds first mentioned for the Consideration of the Sum of four pounds paid to the Town Treasurer we the Subscribers being appointed & chosen to dispose of sd Land have sold sd Land to sd Consider Howland him his heires & assignes for Ever.

Benjamin Warren
John Dyer
John Foster
Nathaniel Jackson

Estimators
&
Surveyors

Plymouth September 28th 1736. Then Received four pounds money in a bond of Consider Hewland & James Shurtleff for the use of Consider Howland which is in full for a Lott of Land laid out to sd Howland on the side of the fort hill I say received pr me

John Foster Town Treasurer

To Capt John Dyer Town Clerk.

At a Town Meeting held in the Court house in Plymouth Decr 20, 1736. At sd meeting the Town made choice of Jurymen to serve on the Jury of tryals at ye Inferior Court to be holden at Plymouth on this instant December and the persons chosen on sd jury are Jonathan Eames Samuel Bartlett Sent John Harlow Sent Francis Adams.

Petit Jurors

[83.] Wee the Subscribers being appointed and chosen by the
Town of Plymouth to be viewers and Estimators of
the Common Lands within the mile & half Land
in said Town and we haveing viewed a peice of Land
at the foot of fort hill above James Shurtleffs Land
containing fifty feet in length and thirty feet in
wedth there being four stakes drove into the ground.
Shurtleff at three pounds. Plymouth September 17th.

1736. Then laid out to James Shurtleff a certain piece of Land in Plymouth aforesaid above his Land at or near the foot of fort hill above the way that leads to the meeting house, said Land contains fifty feet in length and thirty feet in wedth there being four stakes drove into the ground at each corner for the consideration of three pounds paid to the Town Treasurer we the Subscribers being appointed and chosen to dispose of said Lands have sold said Lands to sd James Shurtleff his heirs & assignes for ever.

Benjamin Warren
John Dyer
John Foster
Nathaniel Jackson

Estimators
&
Surveyors

Joshua Drew Wee the Subscribers being appointed and chosen by the Town of Plymouth to be viewers and Estimators of the Common Lands within the mile & half Land in sd Town and we having viewed two peices of Land below Coles Hill the one of said peices containing fifty feet in wedth and ninety feet in length from the cart way that goes a Cross the lots by the water side, and thirty feet square to the Northward of his Land whereon his work house stands there being two stakes drove into the ground on the Northerly side of sd Land thirty feet distance one from the other to the Northward of the Saw pitt which he now improves for sd use both peices of sd Land being valued for Joshua Drew to be worth Seven pounds.

Plymouth September 15<sup>th</sup>, 1736. Then Laid out to Joshua Drew Two peices of Land below Coles Hill commonly so called, viz. one of them being the place where he now Improves as a building yard containing fifty feet from the cartway below sd Coles Hill and ninety feet into the Sea, and the other peice of Land containing thirty feet square to the Northward of the Land whereon the work house stands, there being two stakes drove into the ground on the Northward of the Saw pit as it is now improved, for the consideration of the Sum of seven pounds paid to the Town Treas-

urer. We the subscribers being appointed and chosen to dispose of sd Lands have sold sd Lands to sd Joshua Drew to him his heirs and assignes for ever.

> Benjamin Warren John Dyer John Foster

Plymouth September 28, 1736. then Received three pounds money in a bond of James Shurtleff and Consider Howland for the use of James Shurtleff which is in full for a Lott of Land laid out to James Shurtleff at the foot of fort hill I say Recd pr me

John Foster Town Treasurer

February ninth 1736/7 To Mr John Dyer Town Clerk these may certify that I have received of Joshua Drew the full sum of seven pounds for two peices of Land within mentioned I say Received by me

John Foster Town Treasurer

[84.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth february 21st 1736/7. At sd Meeting Isaac Lothrop Esqr was chosen Moderator. The Jurymen to serve on the grandjury for the year ensuing are Joseph Morton & Thomas Spooner.

Petit Jurors The Petit Jurors to serve in March Court are William Dyre Redolphus Hatch Joshua Shareman & Joseph Ryder

Agawam
Agawam
Bridge on the way over the mill dam and the affair
is continued to the next Town Meeting

Voted that the affair about Shingles that Mr Justice Thomas was charged for by John Barnes which ad Barnes was not paid for and the sd shingles were used on the Correction & Alms house as ad Barnes saith. And John Murdock Esq<sup>r</sup> and Deacon Haviland Torry was chosen a Committe to search into that affair and it is continued to the next Town Meeting

Voted that Deacond Haviland Torry & Mr Samuel
Phillis
Nelson be Ajents to prosecute the affair about Phillis
a Negro woman now in the Town of Plymouth who is
a considerable charge to the Town and the matter is
continued for further direction to the next Town
Meeting

1½ mile lands Voted that Deacon Haviland Torry. & Mr John Barnes be a Committe to search the Records about the mile & half Land about Coles Hill & Especially at the foot of fort Hill and make report thereof at the next Town Meeting. And the Committe are desired to desist in acting any further about the matter.

1737 March 14<sup>th</sup> Moderator At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth March 14<sup>th</sup> 1736/7. At sd Meeting the Town made choice of James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> for Moderator.

Town Clerk

At sd Meeting the Town made choice of John Dyer for Town Clerk and he was sworn to the faithfull discharge of his office by Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup>

Selectmen

The Selectmen that are chosen are Stephen Churchell Samuel Nelson Docter Lazerus Lebarron Maj<sup>r</sup> James Warren Left Josiah Morton.

Assessors

The Assessors that are chosen be Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> John Dyer and Left Josiah Morton.

Constables

The Constables are Nehemiah Riply. John Bartlet was chosen who refused to serve and he hired Thomas Faunce Josephs son who came into Town Meeting and he was chosen Constable in the Room of sd Bartlett and accepted thereof.

Constable for Agawam Benjamin Gifford.

County Treas<sup>r</sup> voates At sd meeting the Town proceeded and put in their voates for a County Treasurer and committed them to Judah West Constable and were sealed up in Town Meeting.

Town Treas<sup>r</sup>

At sd Meeting Deacon John Foster was chosen Town Treasurer.

Surveyor of ye highway Surveyor of the high way who was chosen was Benejah Prat. Voated that he shall be rewarded and paid out of the Town Treasury the sum of twelve pence per head for every Ratable Pole as usuall.

Tythingmen

The Tythingmen that are chosen are Nathaniel Foster Silvanus Bramhall & Samuel Burge.

fence viewers & feild drivers The fence viewers Chosen are Samuel Nelson Timothy Morton Thomas Clarke Joseph Bartlett Israel Fearing & Jirah Swift. Voated yt the sd men be field drivers.

Leather

The Sealers of Leather are Thomas Spooner and Consider Howland.

Hog Reves

The Hog Reves are Nathaniel Jackson Jonathan Eames John Crandon Consider Howland Walter Rich Elkanah Churchell Joseph Morton Jun<sup>r</sup> John Sturtevant Jun<sup>r</sup> & John Nelson at Agawam Henry Sanders & Benjamin Besse.

Surveyors of Lumber The Surveyors of Lumber are John Dyer Stephen Churchell & Judah West.

The Surveyor of Hemp & flax is Deacon Haviland Torry

Saxton

The Saxton who was chosen was Eleazer Rogers and he is to be paid for his service as he was the last year

Committy abt mile half Land dismissed Voated that the Committy or Committys that have been appointed in viewing valuing and disposeing of the Common Lands or the Lands within the mile and half in the Town of Plymouth be now dismissed from any service of the same nature.

Deacon Torry
Ajent about
Phillis

Sd Town chose Deacon Haviland Torry to be their Ajent In sd Towns behalf to notify & inform the Person or Persons to whom Phillis a Negro woman now belongeth who formerly did belong to Mrs John Partridge late of Duxberough deceased who is now chargable to us. That we desire them to take care of her & maintain her for the future and satisfy us for the charge we have allready been at. And in case the Person or Persons to whome sd Phillis dos belong neglect or refuse to pay sd charge & take care of sd Phillis and provide for her We do hereby Direct & Impower sd Ajent to prosecute him or them in the Law and in sd Towns behalf appear in any Court of Law and Act & transact all things needfull in the premises until final Issue with power of Substitution

The Grand Jurymen for the Supr Court in April next are Stephen Churchel & Deacon Haveland Torry.

The Petit Jurors for sd Court are John Dyer John Barnes & David Turner.

[85.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth May 9th 1737. At sd Meeting James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> was chosen Moderator.

Jurors

At sd Meeting the Town made choice of Jurymen to serve at the Inferiour Court to be holden at Plymouth in May Instant the persons who were chosen were Capt Lemuel Drew and Joseph Warren.

Rams

At sd meeting Voated that no Rams shall be suffred to go at Large from the fifteenth day of July to the first day of November following this present year upon the penalty of fifteen shillings for each ram so runing at Large to be paid by the owner thereof and it shall be in the liberty of any of the Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth to take up any Ram or Rams that shall run at Large & to have the benefit of sd fine to him or themselves and to prosecute the owners for the same. At sd Meeting voated that James Warren Esqr shall present sd vote to the next Quarter Sessions for their Aprobation & allowance. Voated that there be the sum of five pounds paid out of the Town Treasury to Benejah Pratt Surveyor of the high way for his Extraordenary service about the Highways the year past.

Highways

Cornelius

Warren

To Capt John Dyer Clerk for the Town of Plymouth. This may Informe that Cornelius Warren of Middleberough is a hired man with me on a fishing voyage and his family is now in Plymouth

Yr humble servant

John Bartlett

Plymouth May 18 1737

Coles Hill

At sd Meeting aforesaid Voated That the Selectmen Together with Mr Haviland Torry and John Winslow be a Committe to Repair to Coles Hill so called & Remove any present Incumbrance if they think proper & that they apply themselves to ye owners to whom the late Lots at the bottom of the Hill was laid out and know what they will do with respect to the keeping up the Bank and that they make report to the Town at their next meeting in order for the Towns voating thereon.

1737 Sept 5<sup>th</sup> Jurors At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth September 5th 1737. The Jurymen that are chosen according to the Law to serve at the Sessions in September Instant are Nathaniel Holmes Elisha Barrow John Clarke & Joshua Gibs

The Moderator that was chosen was Josiah Cotton Esqr.

Way

Stephen Churchell and John Barnes are chosen a Committe to repair the way over the mouth of the Pond where the way goes over where the bridge now is.

burying cloth

At sd Meeting Voted that there be a buring cloth procuried by the Town at the sd Towns charge. That Maj<sup>r</sup> James Warren shall procure a decent burying cloth of black broadcloath not Exceeding five pounds per yard.

Town Charges At sd Town Meeting voated to raise the sum of one hundred and eighty six pounds to defray the Town charge.

[86.] 1738 March 1st At a Town meeting held at Plymouth on the first day of March 1737/8. At sd meeting Josiah Cotton Esqr was chosen Moderator.

Clerk

At sd meeting John Dyer was chosen Town Clerk, nemine contradicente. At sd meeting the sd John Dyer was sworn to the faithfull discharge of his office.

Jurors

At sd meeting the Jurymen chosen at March Court Instant were Thomas Holmes Seth Swift Elisha Doty and Nathan Delano. At sd meeting Thomas Foster was chosen Grandjuryman and afterwards was excused by the Town he being an Excise Master. At sd meeting Joseph King and Elkanah Churchell was chosen Grandjurymen for ye year.

At sd meeting the Selectmen that were chosen were Docter Lazerus Lebaron Stephen Churchell James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> Samuel Nelson and Josiah Morton.

Assessors

At sd meeting the Assessors that were chosen were Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Josiah Morton and John Dyer.

The Constables were Josiah Rider Elisha
Constables Doty and Jirah Swift.

The Tythingmen are Israel Fearing Ebenezer

Tythingmen

Holmes Jun Jonathan Barnes and Judah West.

Sealers of Leather are Thomas Spooner and

Leather Consider Howland.

Treasurer Town Treasurer is Deacon John Foster.

Fence viewers and feild drivers are Samuel
fences

Nelson Timothy Morton Thomas Clarke Joseph
Partlett Israel Feoring and Jimb Smith

Bartlett Israel Fearing and Jirah Swift.

Highways is Benejah
Pratt for the year ensuing and he is to be paid
out of the Town Treasury the sum of twelve
pence per pole as usual for every ratable pole

for the year ensuing

Hog-reves The Hog Reves are Joseph Rider Thomas Jackson Isaac King Nathaniel Foster Eleazer Holmes Thomas

Faunce Elders son Joseph Holmes Benjamin Norris and John Ellis.

Lumber The Surveyors of Lumber are John Dyer Stephen Churchell and Judah West

hemp The Surveyor of hemp & flax is Deacon Haviland

Torry

Sarah Little

At sd Meeting voated to lend Mrs Sarah Little
the sum of seven pounds & ten shillings out of
the Town Treasury.

1738 At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth April 3<sup>d</sup>
April 3<sup>d</sup> 1738. At sd Meeting Coll<sup>1</sup> Isaac Lothrop was chosen Moderator.

Constable At sd Meeting Nehemiah Ripley was voated in Constable for the ensuing year in the room of Josiah Rider

At sd Meeting John Dyer & Mr Josiah Carver was chosen Grandjurymen to serve at the next Superiour Court to be held at Plymouth

The Petit Jurors to serve at ye Superiour Court were John Finney Thomas Faunce Elders son John May & Samuel Rider

1738 At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth May May 8<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1738. At sd Meeting the Town made choice

Representative

of James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> to be Moderator. At sd Meeting the Town made choice of James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> to be Representative for the year Ensuing.

Jurors

Agawam

precinct

At sd Meeting the Town made choice or drew out of the box two Jury men to serve at the Court on this present May sessions whose names are Joseph Bartlett and Ephraim Cobb. At a motion of Inhabitants of Agawam within the Township of Plymouth moved that they might be a Precinct by themselves which was inserted in the Selectmens warrant upon which motion the Town granted they may be a Precinct by themselves for the future they containing the Land within their Original Purchase Deed of the Town of Plymouth. At sd Meeting Ebenezer Burge Jun was chosen Constable

[87.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth July 24th 1738. At ad Meeting the Town made choice of Coll<sup>1</sup> James Warren to be Moderator.

Town

At sd Meeting Voated that there be the sum of one
Charges hundred pounds raised on ye Poles & Estates of the
Inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth.

At sd Meeting Voated that Judah West he shall be paid the sum of forty five shillings out of the Town Treasury by the Town Treasurer being so much money that the Province Treasurer found deficient and he destroyed which money he paid sd Treasurer while he was Constable.

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth at the House of Mr Stephen Churchell Sep<sup>r</sup> 15 1738. At sd Meeting the Town made choice or drew out of the box four jurymen to serve at Sep<sup>r</sup> Court Instant whose names are Deacon John Atwood Redolphus Hatch, Francis Curtis Jun<sup>r</sup> & Thomas Sears.

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth Decr 14th 1738. At sd Meeting the Town mode choice of four Jury men or drew them out of the box to serve at December Court instant whose names are Nathaniel Foster Thomas Harlow John Blackmere & Ebenezer Tinkcom.

1739 At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House March 1st 1738/9. At sd Meeting the Town March 1 made choice of Coll<sup>1</sup> James Warren to be Moderator At sd Meeting John Dyer was chosen Town Clerk and sworn to ye discharge of his office by John Mur-Clerk dock Esqr Selectmen The Selectmen that were chosen was James Warren Esqr Stephen Churchel Capt Josiah Morton Lazerus Lebaron & Thomas Holmes. The Assessors are Josiah Cotton Esqr Capt Josiah Assessors Morton & Capt Stephen Churchel The Constables are Joseph Bartlett Jun'r Nathan Delano and John Ellis at Agawam. Constables The Tythingmen are James Holmes William Tythingmen Harlow Thomas Spooner Samuel Burge. The Sealers of Leather are Thomas Spooner and Leather Consider Howland. Treasurer The Town Treasurer Deacon John Foster. The feild drivers and fence viewers Joseph feild drivers Gifford Elisha Holmes Thomas Bartlett Eleazer Holmes and Consider Howland. fences high ways Surveyor of the high ways Benejah Prat. The Hogreves John May John Faunce Eleazer Churchel Timothy Morton Timothy Burbank hog reeves Caleb Tinkcom John Norris Thomas Bates. The Grandjury men are John Cooper and Jurors

Samuel Donham to serve for the year at the Inferior Court.

The Petit Jurers to serve at the Inferiour Court in March Instant are Eleaser Churchell Thomas Howland Samuel Ellis and Ebenezer The Grandjury to serve at the Superiour Court in April next are Stephen Churchell John Atwood. The Petit Jurors to serve at the Superiour Court are John Harlow David Turner Anslem Lothrop and Robert Bartlett.

The Town gave in their voats for a County Treasurer and committed them to Nehemiah Riply County Treas Constable.

Lumber

The Surveyors of Lumber are John Dyer Stephen Churchel Judah West and Timothy Morton.

At sd Meeting there being a motion made about

Agawam

Agawam

Agawam Petition the Inhabitants thereof there being a Township. Voated that the Plantation of Agawam with all ye Inhabitants thereon within the Town of Plymouth be a Township adjoyning with the Inhabitants of ye Easterly part of Rochester according to their purchase deed from the Town of Plymouth.

sett off their purchase deed from the Town of Plymouth.

Voated that the Selectmen and Deacon Haviland Torry Samuel

Nelson and Maj<sup>r</sup> Lothrop that they take care about Bethiah Barrow according to the best of their discretion.

[88.] Voted at sd Meeting that the matter about Collector or 1739 Collectors be continued to adjornment of this Town March 1st Meeting. Voated that the Selectmen or any three of them shall Lease out the Land that was for-John merly Leased out to John Churchell deceased Churchelt whereon he made fish at Wellensly they to Lease it out not Exceeding seven years to any that may land appear to have it. Voated that there be Somthing more don about the burying cloth there being burying thirty pounds already raised and that there be a cloth burying Cloath procured by Coll<sup>r</sup> James Warren and he to be paid out of the Town Treasury for what he shall Expend more

At sd Meeting Voated that the Town meeting be adjorned to the last munday of this Instant March.

guns

March 2<sup>d</sup> 1738/9 Then delivered six good guns to the Selectmen being the Towns guns, viz to Coll<sup>r</sup> James Warren Cap<sup>t</sup> Stephen Churchell Doctor Lazerus Lebaron and Thomas Holmes.

1739 March 25<sup>th</sup> At an adjornment of the Town meeting from the first day of March to the Last munday of March Instant 1739 being March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Constable

Voated to choose another Constable in the Town of Plymouth if he is chosen in the Precinct of the South part of the Town of Plymouth at Manument Ponds to Perform the office of a Constable within the sd Precinct onely.

The Constable that was chosen was Solomon Silvester.

At sd meeting Voated that the affair of the Collector be continued to a farther season.

At sd meeting Nathan Delano appeared and paid the sum of five pounds and it was committed into Capt Stephen Churchels hands.

Timothy Morton At sd meeting Capt Stephen Churchell Capt Josiah Carver and John Barnes was chosen a Committe to view Timothy Mortons Land by the yard whereon Samuel Kempton builds and make report thereof the next Town Meeting.

1739 Aug 27<sup>th</sup> At a Town meeting held at Plymouth August 27<sup>th</sup> 1739 at the Court House. At sd meeting the Town made choice of Coll<sup>n</sup> James Warren<sup>1</sup> to be Moderator.

Bramhall

At sd Meeting Voated that the affair of Mr Bramhall about eighteen foot of Land mentioned in the Warrant be now acted upon.

The Town Voated they would not grant ye Eighteen foot square next to ye Bridge and on the Kings Road.

At sd Meeting Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> refused to serve as an Assessor this year. Voated to prosecute Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> and that Timothy Morton be an ajent in behalf of the Town to prosecute him the next sessions.

The Town Meeting is adjorned to next munday at two o Clock in the afternoon. The matters about Bramhall and Raising money is adjorned to next munday at two o Clock and about Grand Jurymen is also adjorned.

At an adjornment of the Town Meeting to ye 3<sup>d</sup> day Sep<sup>r</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> of Sep<sup>r</sup> 1739. At sd meeting Coll<sup>n</sup> Isaac Lothrop was chosen Moderator.

Jurymen for Sep<sup>r</sup> At sd meeting the Town made choice of four Jurymen to serve at Sep<sup>r</sup> Sessions Instant viz: Anslem Lothrop James Hovey<sup>2</sup> James Cushman and Thomas Shurtleff.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>There were three James Warrens who lived in the last century. The first was a son of Nathaniel and grandson of Richard, of the Mayflower, who died in 1715. The second was his son and died about 1751. The third was James Warren, President of the Provincial Congress. All three were sheriffs of the County and their official terms covered much the larger part of the century. It is the second who is referred to in the text.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>James Hovey was a lawyer and was a son of Ivory Hovey, of Ipswich, and was probably an older brother of Rev. Ivory Hovey, who was settled over the church at Manomet Ponds, in 1770.

At sd meeting Samuell Bartlett Esq<sup>r</sup> is chosen an Assessor in the room of Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>r</sup> he having refused to serve as an Assessor.

Voated to Raise the sum of one hundred and fifty
Town pounds to defray the necessary Charges arising
Charges within the Town of Plymouth this year.

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Deer

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court House Decr 10<sup>th</sup> 1739. At sd meeting the Town made choice of Jurymen to serve at the Court held at Plymouth at this present Decr whose names are as followeth John Barnes Redolphus Hatch John Harlow and William Harlow.

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth in the Court
House Decr 24 1739. At the sd Town Meeting the
Decr 24th
Town made choice of Colln James Warren to be
Moderator for sd meeting.

At sd meeting the Act Relating to the preservation of Deer was read.

At sd Meeting the Town made choice of two persons to prosecute any persons that should make any breach on sd Act, the persons that are chosen are Samuel Ellis and Abraham Jackson.

1740 At a Town Meeting Regularly Assembled and March 3<sup>d</sup> held at Plymouth in the Court House The third day of March Annoq Domini 1739/40.

Moderator At sd Meeting Coll<sup>r</sup> James Warren was Chose Moderator.

Town Clerk

At sd Meeting Edward Winslow<sup>1</sup> was chose
Town Clerk for the Ensuing year and was Sworne
to the faithfull discharge of his office by Isaac
Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup>.

¹ Edward Winslow was son of Isaac, grandson of Gov. Josiah, and great-grandson of Gov. Edward of the Mayflower. He built the house in North street occupied by Rev. Dr. Briggs, was Collector of the Port, Register of Wills and Clerk of the Court. He was a loyalist, and was deprived of his office in 1775. By permission of the authorities he went to New York in December, 1781, with a part of his family, the remainder afterwards joining him. Sir Henry Clinton allowed him a pension of two hundred pounds per annum, with rations and fuel, and on the 30th of August, 1783, he embarked with his wife, two daughters and three colored servants. for Halifax, where he arrived on the 14th of September. He died in Halifax in 1784. His house in Plymouth was taken in 1782 on executions by the Town of Plymouth, Thomas Davis, William Thomas, Oakes Angier and John Rowe, and sold by them to Thomas Jackson.

Selectmen

At sd Meeting Coll<sup>r</sup> James Warren Cap<sup>t</sup> Stephen Churchell Doct<sup>r</sup> Lazarus Lebaron Cap<sup>t</sup> Josiah Morton & Mr Thomas Holmes were Chosen Selectmen.

Assessors

At sd Meeting Samuel Bartlet Esq<sup>r</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Josiah Morton & Cap Stephen Churchell were Chosen Assessors for the Ensuing year.

Constables

At said Meeting The Town made Choice of Elkanah Churchell Caleb Tinckam and Nathaniel Bartlet Constables for the year Ensuing.

abt Collector At said Meeting a Vote was Called to know the Towns mind whether they would Choose Collectors To gather the Towns money they to give sufficient Security to secure the same. The Choice of Collectors deferd untill the Adjournment of this meeting and the Town made Choice of Samuel Bartlet Esqr Capth Stephen Churchel & Mr Joseph Morton to be a Committe to Treat with any persons that should be inclinable to undertake the office of Collectors. And the sd Committe are desired to make Reporte at the Adjournment of this meeting

Tythingmen

At said Meeting Nathaniel Shurtleff Joseph Holmes Nathaniel Churchell & Josiah Morton Jun<sup>r</sup> were Chosen Tythingmen.

Surveyors of Highways

At said meeting The Town Chose Benajah Pratt & Samuel Ellis Surveyors of Highways for the Ensuing year. They to be paid Twelve pence on the poll as usual out of the Town Treasury & to give bonds for the performance of sd Office.

Grandjurors

At sd meeting Deacon Haviland Torry and Mr Eleazer Churchel were Chosen grandjurors for the year.

Petitt Jurors At sd meeting Jabez Shurtleff Eliakim Tupper Francis Adams & Elkanah Cushman were Chosen Petitt Jurymen To serve at the next Inferiour Court To be held at Plymouth on the first Tuesday of March Instant

[90.] At the aforesaid Meeting Thomas Spooner and Consider Sealers of Leather Howland were Chosen Sealers of Leather.

Fence Viewers At said Meeting Timothy Morton Thomas Faunce Samuel Nelson Benjamin Cornish and William Harlow were Chosen Fence Viewers and Feild Drivers.

Hogreeves

At said Meeting The Town Chose Josiah Clarke Elisha Doty John Washburne Thomas Faunce the third Sylvanus Brimhall Lemuel Drew George Holmes & Edward Stevens Jun' to be Hogreeves

Surveyors of Lumber

At sd meeting Cap<sup>t</sup> Stephen Churchel Cap<sup>t</sup> John Dyer Judah West & Timothy Morton were Chosen Surveyors of Lumber.

Deer Act

At sd meeting The Town Chose Abraham Jackson & Samuel Ellis To prosecute any persons that should make any Breach on the Deer Act

Voated That the sd Town meeting be Adjournd To the Fourth monday of this instant March at one of the Clock (afternoon)

1740 Mar 24<sup>th</sup> At an Adjournment of the Town Meeting held at Plymouth from the fourth of March To the fourth monday of March instant being the 24<sup>th</sup> day of said month A D 1739/40 Coll<sup>n</sup> James Warren Moderator.

Moderator

At s Collectors lectors

At sd Meeting The Town Voated to Choose Collectors to gather & Collect the Town money and to allow them Six pence per pound for Collecting the same and that they & Each of them should give sufficient bonds with Security for the Seasonable Payment of the same into Respective Treasurys

Constables

Voated That Thomas Faunce ye 3<sup>d</sup> be a Constable in the Room of Elkanah Churchell (and said Faunce accordingly accepted)

Voated that Benjamin Bartlet be Constable in the Room of Caleb Tinckam and said Bartlet accepted

Collectors

At sd meeting The Town Voated that the Constables viz Benjamin Bartlet Nathaniel Bartlet and Thomas Faunce the 3<sup>d</sup> should be The Collectors and To allow them six pence on the pound for Collecting ye Towns money They and Each of them To give sufficient Security to the Town for there Seasonable

paying the Towns and Precincts money into ye Respective Treasurys.

At sd Meeting Coll<sup>n</sup> Isaac Lothrop Samuel Bartlet Esq<sup>r</sup> Capt Stephen Churchell John Murdock Esq<sup>r</sup> and Mr Joseph Morton were Chose a Committe To take sufficient bonds with surities of the Collectors for there paying seasonally The Town and Precincts money into the Respective Treasurys.

At sd meeting Deacon John Foster was Town Treasurer Chosen Town Treasurer.

County
Treasurer and the Votes were Sealed up in sd meeting and Delivered Joseph Bartlet one of the Constables of sd Town.

At sd meeting the Town Voted The Assessors

Assessors

Six Shillings a day for year past and for the year
Ensuing.

At sd meeting Coll<sup>n</sup> Lothrop Doct<sup>r</sup> Lebaron
Josiah Carver Capt Churchell Samuel Bartlet
Town bridge
Esq<sup>r</sup> Thomas Holmes Joseph Warren Deacon
Foster Coll<sup>n</sup> Warren were Chosen a Committe
To View the Town Bridge and make Reporte at
the next Town meeting.

Ratts Paid by the Town Treasurer for every Grown Ratt that should be killed in Plymouth and to be brot to the Treasurer with both Ears on.

[91.]

At the aforesaid meeting Voated that three pence per head should be paid by the Town Treasurer for every Black bird that shall be killed in Plymouth from this 24th of March untill the first of October next.

At sd meeting The Town Voated that six pence per head should be paid by the Town Treasurer for every Crow that shall be killed in Plymouth from this day to the first of October next.

At a Town meeting Regularly assembled and held
April 16<sup>th</sup> at Plymouth In the Court House The Sixteenth day
of April A D 1740. At said meeting Coll<sup>r</sup> James
Moderator Warren was Chosen Moderator.

The Town made Choice of Mr Thomas Holmes & Grandjurors Deacon John Atwood To Serve as Grandjurors at The Superiour Court to be held at Plymouth &c on the Twenty Second day of this instant April. And then proceeded and made Choice of Capt<sup>n</sup> Petitt Stephen Churchel John Atwood Jun Joseph Bartlet Jurors Jun Thomas Foster and Thomas Spooner Petit Jurymen for The aforesaid Court. Jurymen At said meeting Capt<sup>n</sup> John Watson & Ephraim Cobb were Chose To serve on the Petitt Jury on the Third Teusday of May next. Herrins At said meeting Timothy Burbanks Nathaniel Foster Eleazer Rogers Nath<sup>11</sup> Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> Capt Churchel & Timothy Morton were Chose a Committe To take Care of the Herrin brooke and the Herrins. Herrings At said meeting Joseph Holmes John Blackmer & John Stertevant were Chose a Committe to take care of the Herrins and Herring brooke at Monument Ponds Committe At said Town meeting The Comitte appointed by the Town gave in there Reporte Concerning the abt ye bridge Rebuilding the Town Bridge. But there being a Thin meeting the Considering of the same is adjourned to the next Town Meeting. 1740 At a Town Meeting Regularly Assembled and May 15th held at Plymouth in the Court House the fifteenth day of May A D 1740. At sd meeting Representative The Town made Choice of Capt<sup>n</sup> Josiah Morton Representative for the Ensuing year (who declared his non acceptance of the same) And then the Town proceeded and chose Coll James Warren Representative for the Ensuing Representative

Moderator Josiah Morton to be Moderator. At said meeting
The Town made Choice of Nathaniel Jackson
Thomas Foster and John Murdock Esq<sup>r</sup> To be a
Committe Committe To take some prudent Care of the Towns
Landing below Coles hill To Remove any Incum-

At sd Meeting The Town made Choice of Capt

place brance on ye same and to prevent its being Incumbered for ye future

Town bridge Whereas at a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on the Twenty fourth day of March A D 1739/40 Coll Lothrop Doct<sup>\*</sup> Lebaron Josiah Carver Capt Churchell

[92.] Samuel Bartlet Esq' Thomas Holmes Joseph Warren Deacon Foster and Coll Warren were Chose a Committe To view the Town bridge1 and desird to make Reporte to the Town at the meeting then next following; and at a Town meeting held at Plymouth on the sixteenth day of April A D 1740, The sd Committe gave in there Reporte (viz) That there is need of very Speedy Repairs and for the Benyfit of the Town we are of the mind that the sd Bridge Shall be Rebuilt and made Wider and higher then now it is, and that the Town now choose some suitable persons to undertake and procure the said bridge Rebuilt as they shall think most for the Towns Interest. But there then being a Thin Town Meeting The Considering of the sd Reporte was Continued to this Meeting. And the Reporte of sd Committe being now Read to the Town. Voated to accept the same and then the Town proceeded and Chose Capt<sup>n</sup> Stephen Churchel Doc<sup>tr</sup> Lebaron Thomas Holmes Josiah Carver & Joseph Warren To be a Committe to take Care and act as they Judge best either To Repair sd Bridge for the present or to Rebuild the Same.

At a Town Meeting Regularly assembled at Plymouth in the Court House September 1 1740.

At sd meeting the Town made Choice of Samuel Moderator Bartlet Esq<sup>r</sup> Moderator.

300 £ Tax

At sd meeting Voted to Raise the Sum of Three hundred pounds To defray the necessary Charges ariseing within the Town of Plymouth this present year.

School house bell At sd meeting the Town chose Coll Isaac Lothrop Jun To take some speedy Care about the Schooll house bell, Either to get the old one mended, or new Run or to dispose of it for as much as it will fetch and buy a new one.

At said meeting the buying of a New Pall or

<sup>1</sup> Town Bridge was the bridge at the foot of Spring Hill.

Burying Cloath Burying Cloath was continued to the next Town Meeting.

Jurymen

At said Town meeting the Town made Choice of George Watson Nathaniel Foster Jonathan Barnes and John Nelson To serve on the Petitt Jury at the next Inferiour Court to be held at Plymouth on the Third Teusday of September instant.

Grant to Geo Watson

At said meeting the Town Voted to Grant to George Watson to his heirs and Assigns forever a Certain peice of Land lying below Coles Hill upon which there is a still house Erected. And is bounded on the North by John Crandons land, and on the South to Come within Twelve foot of the land of John Murdock Esqr And allso Chose Coll Isaac Lothrop Capt Stephen Churchell John Murdock Esqr Doctr Lazarus Lebaron and Mr Thomas Foster to be a Committe To lay out Delineate and assertain the bounds of the Same, and they to make Returne to the Town Clerk which the Town held firm and valid, He the said George Watson paying to Deacon John Foster Town Treasurer The sum of Eleven pounds in bills of publick Credit With Interest from the year One Thousand seven hundred and twenty eight 1728.

Geo Watsons Lott Wee the Subscribers being appointed by the Town of Plymouth To lay out a Certain peice of Land To George Watson of Plymouth said Land laying at the foot of hill Commonly Called Coles hill persuant to said vote Dated September the first 1740. We mett on the Spot December 2 1740 and Laid out and bounded said Land as followeth viz: Begining at the Southeast Corner of John Crandons lott and by sd Lott Runing Westerly up Coles hill till it Comes to the

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Westerly Corner of said Crandons lott twenty five feet from the lands of John Rickard and then Southerly upon a parellel Line with John Rickards fence leaveing twenty five feet for a Roade till sd line Come within twelve feet of the Lott of John Murdock Esq<sup>r</sup> said Land Containing about Seventy six feet in bredth and so Easterly down towards the bay by the sd land of sd Murdock till it comes to ye Land Belonging to ye Heirs of John Watson Esq<sup>r</sup> Deceased and so to the Bounds first mentioned. As Witness our Hands at Plymouth December 2 1740.

Isaac Lothrop Stephen Churchell John Murdock Lazarus Lebaron Thomas Foster

Plymouth December the fourth 1740.

Received of George Watson the sum of Eighteen pounds Eighteen Shillings in Cash it being in full for the within mentioned peice of Land. Received pr me

> John Foster Treasurer for the Town of Plymouth

1740 Dec 15<sup>th</sup> At a Town Meeting Regularly assembled and held at Plymouth in the Court House December 15 1740. At sd Town Meeting the Town made Choice of James Warren Esq<sup>1</sup> to be Moderator.

At said meeting The Town made Choice of John Harlow Jun<sup>r</sup> Eleazer Holmes Samuel Rider & John Howland To serve on the Petitt Jury on the third Teusday of December instant

At said Meeting the Town made Choice of Samuel Bartlet Esq<sup>r</sup> Thomas Foster Coll Warren Thomas Spooner & Jn<sup>o</sup> Murdock Esq<sup>r</sup> To be a Committe To Examine the accounts about ye Town bridge

At said meeting The Town Voted That the Constables for the future should Notyfie the Inhabitants in there Respective precincts To attend Town Meetings by setting up Copies of their Warrants as usual and allso by leaving word with them or at there Houses.

[94.]

1741 Mar 2<sup>d</sup> At a Town Meeting Regularly assembled at Plymouth in the Court house On Monday the Second day of March A D 1740. At said Meeting

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### PLYMOUTH RECORDS.

Moderator Town Clerk Selectmen James Warren Esq was Chosen Moderator. Edward Winslow was Chosen Town Clerk & sworn by Nathaniel Thomas Esq. The Selectmen that be Chosen are Capt Josiah Morton Capt Stephen Churchell Coll James Warren Doct Lazarus Lebaron & Mr Thomas Holmes. Josiah Carver Haviland Torrey & Thomas Foster Overseers of ye Poor. Capt Josiah Morton Capt Stephen Churchell & Samuell Bartlet Esq were

Overseers of the Poor Assessors

Chose Assessors.

Grandjurymen

The Grandjurymen Chosen for the year are Mr Thomas Foster and Mr Samuel Bartlett.

**Petitt Jurors** 

The Petitt Jurymen for March Court instant are Barnabas Hedge Ansell Lothrop & John Cobb & Isaac Doty.

Constable

At said Meeting Voted That the highest in votes in the South Precinct should be the Constables there for the Ensuing year.

Collectors

Voted To choose Collectors to Gather in the Towns Money & to allow them Six pence on ye pound they to give bonds with Good Sureties for the Collecting & Seasonable paying in of the same into the Town Treasury.

Constables

At said Meeting James Hovey Jonathan Barnes & Joseph Holmes were Chosen Constables for the Ensuing year.

Agent

James Warren Esqr was Chose an Agent in the Towns behalf To make answer to the Petition of Capt Gersham Bradford of Kingston preferd to the Generall Court Relateing to Kingston Bridge.

Register

The Town brought in theire Votes for Register of Deeds for the County of Plymouth & Committed to Constable Benjamin Bartlett.

Voted to adjourn sd Meeting to monday the Sixteenth of March instant at eleven of the Clock in the forenoon (and sd Meeting is accordingly adjourned.)

At an adjornment of the Town Meeting from the Second of March to the Sixteenth of March instant A D 1740. Grandjurors

At said Meeting Tue Town chose Capt Stephen Churchell & Mr Thomas Holmes Grandjurors for the next Superiour Court to be held at Plymouth.

Petitt Jurors

Capt Josiah Morton Mr Samuell Nellson Mr Thomas Mayhew & Mr Joseph Bartlett were Chosen Petitt Jurors for the next Superior Court.

Voted that the highest in votes at Eell River & Monument Ponds should be Tythingmen there for the Ensuing year.

Tythingmen

The Tythingmen that were Chosen are Solomon Sylvester Thomas Faunce Elders son Nathaniel Foster & Timothy Morton.

Surveyors of Highways

Samuel Ellis & Benajah Pratt Surveyors of the Highways for ye year. They to be paid Twelve pence on ye poll as usual out of the Town Treasury and to give bonds for the performance of said office.

County Treasurer The Town brot in their votes for County Treasurer which were Sealed up and Deliverd the Constable.

Sealer of Leather Thomas Spooner & Consider Howland Sealers of Leather.

[95.]

Fence Vewers and Feild Drivers Messrs Solomon Sylvester Nathaniel Bartlett Ebenezer Bartlett Benajah Pratt Thomas Holmes and Timothy Morton were Chosen Fence Viewers and Feild Drivers for the Ensuing year.

Hogreaves

Messrs Joseph Morey John Witherhead John Stertevant Jun Nath Warren Thomas Bartlett Eleaser Churchell Thomas Faunce the 3<sup>d</sup> George Holmes Jonathan Eames Isaac Little Consider Howland John Nelson and Cornelius Holmes were Chosen Hogreeves.

A vote was Called to know the Towns mind if the Hoggs should goe at large under the Regulations of ye Law in that Case provided (it passed in the Negative)

## PLYMOUTH RECORDS.

Surveyors of Lumber

Messrs Capt Churchell Timothy Morton and Judah West Surveyors of Lumber.

The Town Chose Benjamin Cornish and William Lucas to prosecute any Persons that should be guilty of a breach of the Deer Act.

Deer Act

Whereas Jonathan Barnes being Chosen Cons-

Constable

table and Collector for the year Ensuing and the sd Barnes haveing Agreed with Thomas Faunce ye 3<sup>d</sup> To serve as Constable and Collector in his Room and Stead and the sd Faunce declared in open Town meeting his willingness to serve as Constable and Collector in the Room of said Voated That the Town accept of sd Faunce in ye stead of said Barnes to be Constable as aforesaid.

Collectors

The Town made Choice of James Hovey and Joseph Holmes to be Collectors to gather in the Towns Money and to allow them six pence on the pound they to give bond with good Security for the Collecting and Seasonable paying in of the

Collector

Whereas James Hovey being Chose a Collector for the year Ensuing and the said Hovey haveing agreed with Thomas Faunce the 3d to Serve as Collector in his place; and the sd Faunce declareing in open Town meeting his Consent to Serve as Collector in the sd Hoveys Room: Voated That the Town accept of the sd Faunce as Collector in ye sd Hoveys Stead, He giveing bonds with Sufficient Security for the Collecting and seasonable paying in of the Towns money into the Town Treasurer.

Same into the Town Treasury

At said meeting The Town made Choice of Deacon John Foster to be Town Treasurer Nemine Contradicente.

1741 May 18th

At a Town Meeting Regularly assembled and held at Plymouth in the Court house on monday the Eighteenth of May A D 1741 at one of the Clock PM.

Jurymen

At sd meeting Jabez Shurtleff & Thomas Jackson were Chosen to Serve on ye Petitt Jury on the third teusday of May instant.

Representative

At said Meeting the Town made Choice of Capt Josiah Morton To be their Representative for ye Ensuing year.

1741 May 25<sup>th</sup>

for ye Ensuing year.

[96.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on monday the

Representative

twenty fifth of May A D 1741 in the Court House at Ten of the Clock A M. At said meeting upon Capt Morton Refusing to serve the Town as Representative for the Ensuing year The Town made Choice of Mr Thomas Foster to be their Representative the Ensuing year.

1741

August 31st Moderator At a Town Meeting Regularly Assembled & held at Plymouth August 31 1741. At said Meeting James Warren Esqr was Chosen Moderator. At said meeting George Watson Ephraim Cobb Abner Holmes and David Turner were Chosen to serve at ye next Inferiour Court of Comon Pleas and Generall Sessions of the peace to be held at

Jurymen

£220 Tax

Petitt Jury

Voted to Raise the sum of Two hundred & twenty pounds to defrey the necessary Charges ariseing in the Town for ye present year.

Plymouth on ye third teusday of Septr next on the

Committe abt School Voted to Choose three persons to be a Committe to take Care of ye Scholl in the middle of the Town, & Coll Isaac Lothrop Jun<sup>r</sup> Coll James Warren & Mr Thomas Foster were Chosen to be ye Committe

Committe at Eell River Voted to Choose two persons at Eell River to take Care of the School & Mr Joseph Warren & Mr Joseph Morton were Chose.

Committe at Monument ponds

Voted to Choose two persons at Monument ponds to be Committe to take Care of the Schooll there & Capt Josiah Morton & Mr Joseph Bartlett were chosen for that end.

At a Town meeting Regulerly assembled & held at Plymouth December 14th 1741.

At said meeting Thomas Murdock Elkanah Cushman Jno-Harlow Jun<sup>r</sup> and Return Waite were Chosen Jurymen to serve at the next Court. [97.] At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on Monday The 174<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> fourth day of January A Dom: 1741. Regularly Jan 4<sup>th</sup> Assembled In the Court House at Plymouth. At sd Meeting Mr Stephen Churchell was Chosen Moderator.

Town Clerk

At sd Meeting Samuell Bartlett Esq was Chosen Town Clerk In the Room of Mr Edward Winslow Clerk he being absent for sd Day, and sworn by John Murdock Esq.

At sd Meeting Thomas Foster was Chosen Town Treasurer In the Room of Deacon

John Foster Deceased.

Committe

At sd Meeting Messrs Haviland Torry Lazarus LeBaron & Isaac Lothrop Jun<sup>r</sup> were Chosen a Committe to Review ye Towns Books and Papers also to Examine & Settle ye accts and to deliver ye sd Books & accots To Mr Thomas Foster ye Treasurer.

acceptance of Report At sd Meeting The Town Voted To accept of the Report of ye Committe to take Care of the School, as Entred Below.

Committes Report We the Subscribers being Chosen and appointed a Committe (at a Town Meeting held at Plymouth on ye 31st day of August A Dom 1741) To Take Care of the School In ye middle of the Town. Do make our Report viz That we have agreed with Mr Enoch Ward 1 to keep The sd School for one year Commencing from the Twenty Third day of October Last past For the sum of Sixty Pounds and his Dyet The Town is To pay viz Fifty Two Pounds pr year for said Dyet.

 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Isaac Lothrop Jun^r} \\ \textbf{Thomas Foster} \end{array} \right\} \textbf{Committe}$ 

Plymo Jan<sup>ry</sup> 4 174<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

174<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> At a Town meeting Regularly Assembled & March 1<sup>st</sup> held at Plymouth on Monday the first day of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Enoch Ward came from Littleton, and graduated at Harvard in 1736.

March Anno Dom 1741/2. At said Meeting Samuel Moderator Bartlet was Chosen Moderator. At said meeting Town Cler Edward Winslow was Chose Town Clerk & sworne to the faithfull discharge of sd office pr Samuel Bartlet Esqr. At sd Meeting the Town made Choice of Mr Grandjurors Joseph Morton and Mr William Harlow Grandjurors for the Ensuing year. Petit Jurors The Petitt Jurymen for March instant are Eleazer Holmes Michal Burn Jonathan Barnes & Jonathan Eames At sd Meeting the Town Chose James Warren Selectmen Esqr Lazarus Lebaron Capt Stephen Churchell Capt Josiah Morton & Mr Thomas Holmes Selectmen for the Ensuing year. Messrs Deac Haviland Torry Mr Thomas Foster Overseers & Mr Josiah Carver for Overseers of the poor of the poor Samuel Bartlet Esqr Capt Stephen Churchell & Capt Josiah Morton Assessors the Ensuing year Assessors At sd Meeting Voted that the highest in votes in the South Precinct should be Constable there Constable for the Ensuing year.

[98.] At said Meeting James Shurtleff Samuel Ryder & Josiah Constables Clarke were Chosen Constables for the Ensuing year.

Surveyors of highways

Samuel Ellis & Benajah Pratt Chosen Surveyors of the Highways for the Ensuing year they to be paid twelve pence on the pole as usual out of the Town Treasury & to give bonds with Security for the faithfull performance of said Trust.

Tythingmen & John Blackmer were chosen Tythingmen for the ensuing year.

At sd Meeting Solomon Silvester Nathaniel
Fence Viewers Bartlet Ebenezer Bartlet Benejah Pratt Thomas
Holmes Timothy Morton Fence Viewers and Feild
Drivers.

At sd meeting Ichabod Samson John Blackmer Hogreaves James Holmes Thomas Bartlet Jno Finney Elka Churchell Thomas Faunce 3<sup>d</sup> Jonathan Barnes Silvanus Brimhall Nath<sup>11</sup> Dunham and Benjamin Holmes were Chosen Hogreeves for ye Ensuing year.

Sealers of Leather Surveyors of Lumber At said Meeting Consider Howland and Thomas Spooner Sealers of Leather.

At sd meeting Stephen Churchel and Judah West were Chose Surveyors of Lumber.

Samuel Ellis and Abraham Jackson Chose to take Care of the Deer Act.

Deer Act

Watch

Voted to allow Returne Waite Six pound for Takeing Care of ye Watch the last year.

Committe
abt Kingston
Bridge

Voted to Choose two persons to be a Committe To make answer to a Petition preferd to the Generall Court by Capt Gershom Bradford Relateing To Kingston Bridge and the Town made Choice of James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> and Mr Thomas Foster for sd Committe.

County Treasurer At sd meeting the Town brot in theire Votes for County Treasurer which were sealed up & Deliverd Constable Hovey.

Faunce Constable Voted to accept of Mr Thomas Faunce as Constable in the Room of Samuel Ryder who refusd. The Town made Choice of Thomas Faunce the 3<sup>d</sup> James Shurtleff & Josiah Clarke to be Collectors to gather in the Towns money & to allow them six pence on the pound they to give bond with good Security for the Collecting & Seasonable paying in of the same into the Respective Treasuries.

Collectors

Voted That the Town Treasurer That Shall be Chosen for ye Ensuing year be Enjoined to give a Receit on an account under hand to the Town of the bonds bills & of what money due on Book in the Towns favour and allso of all the money belonging

Town Treasurer

Town At said Meeting the Town made Choice of Mr Treasurer Thomas Foster Town Treasurer for the year Ensuing The Town Voted to accept the Reporte of the Committe that was Chosen to inspect and adjust the Town Treasurers Accts,

to the Town in his Hands.

Books. Papers &c and order the same to be Recorded (The Report is as followeth viz)

At a Town Meeting held at Plymouth January 4<sup>th</sup> 1741 We the Subscribers being Chosen and appointed as a Committe to inspect and adjust the Town Treasurers accts, Books & papers then in the hands Mr Thomas Foster as Executor to his Father Mr John Foster dec'd late Treasurer to deliver ye same to Mr Thomas Foster present Treasurer & to make report thereof at the next Town Meeting do report as follows viz.

[99.]	That there is due to the Town to ballance	on book the
	sum of	60-15-6
	and severall sums outstanding in Con-	
	stables hands viz from Benjamin	
	Bartlet	29—13—3
	From Thomas Faunce	12-4-3
	From Nathaniel Bartlet	11 28
	From Nathaniel Foster former Con-	
	stable	6-8-2
Treasury	From Joseph Bartlett	4-11-5
	Allso Twenty Seven Bonds Twenty-four	
	of which Bonds principal amount-	
	ing to	610-14-6
	Intrest	74— 3—0
	Allso two bonds Principall & Intrest	
	amounting to	30— 7—1
	Allso one bond Intrest	4-17-6
	Allso due the Poor	1-6-3
rm 1	1 1 16 (0) 73 ( (0)	n

The above bonds Mr Thomas Foster present Treasurer Received but that it not Proper to give a Receit for the same.

Haviland Torrey Isaac Lothrop Jun<sup>r</sup> Lazarus Lebaron

## Plyme February 1 1741

# Committe

At the aforesaid Meeting Messrs Haviland Torrey Isaac Lothrop Jun<sup>r</sup> & Lazarus Lebaron were Chosen a Committee to Receive of the Exec<sup>rs</sup> of Dea<sup>o</sup> Jno Foster late Treasurer of sd Town all the Papers in theire Hands belonging to the Town & give a Receit therefor in the Towns behalf and to Deliver them

to Mr Thomas Foster the present Treasurer and take a Receit of him for the same.

1742 April 1<sup>st</sup>

Moderator

At a Town Meeting Regularly assembled at the Court House in Plimouth on Monday the first Day of Aprill Annoq Domine 1742, At said Meeting Samuell Bartlett Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Moderator. At said meeting James Hovey was Chosen Clerk for the day in the Room of Edward Winslow the standing Clerk (who was absent) and was sworn to ye Faithfull Discharge of sd office by Sam<sup>11</sup> Bartlett Esq.

Grand Jurors

At sd meeting the Town made Choice of Capt Stephen Churchell and Deacon John Atwood to Serve on ye Grand jury at ye next Sup<sup>r</sup> Court of Judicature Court of Assise &c on ye second Tuesday of Aprill Instant.

Petitt Jurors At said meeting Messrs Haviland Torrey Thomas Spooner Timothy Morton and Thomas Doty was Chosen to serve on ye Jury of Tryalls at ye Court aforesd.

[100.]

1742 May 10<sup>th</sup> Moderator At a Town Meeting Regularly assembled and held at Plymouth at the Court house on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> of May 1742. At sd Meeting James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Moderator.

Representative

At sd meeting the Town made Choice of James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> to be Representative for the Ensuing year.

Jurymen

At sd meeting Ansill Lothrop Barnabas Hedge and John Howland were Chose Petitt Jurors for May Court instant.

Grand Jurors

At a Town Meeting Regularly assembled and held at Plymouth on the twenty first day of June A D 1742. At said meeting Mr Stephen Churchell and Mr John Atwood were Chosen to serve on the Grandjury at the next Superiour Court to be held at Plymouth &c on the second teusday of July next.

At said Meeting Messrs Haviland Torrey George Watson Thomas Spooner Timothy Morton and Thomas Doty were Chosen Petitt Jurors for sd Superiour Court.

1742 At a Town Meeting Regularly Assembled at the Aug 30<sup>th</sup> Court house on monday the thirtyeth of August A D 1742

Moderator At sd meeting Lazarus Lebaron was Chosen Moderator.

At said Meeting The Town Regulated these lists for Jurymen agreable to the Late Law.

At sd Meeting Lemnel Bartlett and Abiel Petitt Jurors

Shurtleff were appointed Petitt Jurors for the next Sept<sup>r</sup> Court.

Assessors

Voted To allow the accounts of the Assessors for takeing a List of the poles and Estates in sd Town and that the Selectmen be impowered to draw an order on the Town Treasurer for the paym<sup>t</sup> of ye Same, the acco is as follows viz.

To Josiah Morton 8 days at 10/ & for his		•	
horse $5\frac{3}{4}$		6.13.	4
To Stephen Churchell 12½ days at 10/		6.15.	0
To Samuel Bartlett 10 days at 10 p	5. 0.0		
21 sheets paper for Books & Lists 0. 3.6			
paid Jas Hovey for Coppyg ye Lists	0.12.0		
Bartletts horse for Churchell & selfe 5 days	2. 5.0	8. 0.	6
viz paid pr Josiah Morton 4/			
ditto pr Stephen Churchell 4/		0. 8.	0
		21.16.1	0

Samuel Bartlett
Stephen Churchell
Josiah Morton

Assessors

Memo The above in old tenour

Voted To adjourn this meeting until monday the 13th of Septrat one of the Clock in ye afternoon.

[101.] At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants
1742 of the Town of Plymouth quallified as ye Law
Directs held at ye Court House in sd Plymouth by
adjournment from ye 30th of August A D 1742 to
the 13th of September A D 1742.

Moderator

Doctr Lazarus Lebaron Moderator.

Town Clerk

At sd Meeting James Hovey was Chosen Clerk for the Day (Mr Edwd Winslow the Town Clerk being absent) who was sworn to ve faithfull Discharge of his office Before Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup>

Just Peace

220 £ old Tenr Raised

Voated to Raise Two Hundred and Twenty Pounds (old Tenn<sup>r</sup>) to Defrey the Necessary Charges of ye Town for this Present year, Exclusive of what may be Raised for ye use of the Poor of sd Town.

50 £ old Tenr for ye Poor

Voated To Raise Fifty pounds old Tennour 1 to be paid in to the Town Treasury for the use of ve Poor of the Town as occasion may Require

Voated that James Warren Esq be the Town Agent to Represent ye affair of Moses Clark to the Generall Court of this Province in order to Defrey the Charges that have arisen by means of said Moses Clark.

Jas Hovey Cler

1742 Oct 18th

At a Town Meeting Regulerly assembled and held at Plymouth in the Court house on Monday the 18th of October 1742.

<sup>1&</sup>quot;Lawful money" and "old tenor" at that date were synonymous terms, meaning the bills of credit issued by order of the General Court of the Province. The value of this currency as compared with sterling varied. In 1739 it ince. The value of this currency as compared with sterling varied. In 1739 it was as five to one, in 1748 it was as ten to one, and in 1756 it was four to one. Paper money called bills of credit were issued by the Massachusetts colony, and their issue was continued by the Province of Massachusetts Bay until 1749, when specie payment was resumed and no more paper money was issued by Massachusetts until the revolution. On the 4th of December, 1716, it was ordered by the General Court that one hundred thousand pounds of these bills be issued and distributed among the counties according to their last province tax, and that five trustees be appointed by the Court for each county to let out the money on sufficient security, at interest not exceeding five per cent. At various other times these bills were issued for the payment of public debts. On the 31st of March, 1721, it was voted by the General Court, "Whereas, the public bills of credit on this Province, which for want of silver have for many years not only answered the charge of this his Majesty's government, both in war and peace, but served as a medium of exchange in the merchandise, trade and business of the Province, are grown scarce in proportion to the great demand for the same—that fifty thousand pounds of public bills of credit be issued and placed in the hands of the Treasurer of the Province, who is directed and empowered to distribute the the Treasurer of the Province, who is directed and empowered to distribute the same to the several towns within this Province according to each town's respective proportion to the last Province tax; and that the several towns within this Province which shall receive their respective parts of the said sum of fifty thousand pounds, may by their trustees let out the same at interest on good real estate or personal security, or otherwise make improvement thereof as they shall judge most beneficial and advantageous for them." This act explains the repeated references in the text to the town's share of money received from the Province.

Moderator

At sd Meeting James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Moderator.

Batterye

At sd meeting The Town voted to Accept of ye money Granted by the Generall Court for Erecting a Battery on ye Conditions mentioned in sd Grant.

Committe

Voted to Choose a Committe who are to make reporte on ye adjournment of this meeting as to ye place they shall Judge most Suitable & Couvenient (all Things Considered) to Erect sd Battery on. The Committee are Jno Murdock Esq<sup>r</sup> James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> Isaac Lothrop Jun<sup>r</sup> Capt Josiah Morton Capt Stephen Churchell Doct<sup>r</sup> Lazarus Lebaron Joseph Morton Thomas Foster Nath<sup>11</sup> Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> Joseph Warren Samuel Bartlett Esq<sup>r</sup> Thomas Holmes Thomas Spooner Capt Benjamin Warren Isaac Lothrop Esq<sup>r</sup> Robt Brown Esq<sup>r</sup> Capt John Watson & Josiah Carver.

Voted That Nath<sup>11</sup> Thomas Esq<sup>r</sup> Thomas Holmes Doct<sup>r</sup> Lebaron Thomas Spooner & Thomas Foster be a Committe to take care that the ways be Repaired which are Presented.

Ways Presentd Voted that Coll Warren be an Agent to appear at ye next Court of Gen¹ Sessions of ye Peace to be held at Plymo &c on ye third Teusday of December next to make answer as to.ye Towns Presentments & voted to adjourne this Meeting untill Friday the  $22^{nd}$  of this instant October at four of ye Clock P Meridan and it is accordingly adjourned.

[102.]

1742 Oct 22<sup>d</sup> At a Town Meeting Regulerly Assembled and held at Plymouth by Adjournment on Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of October A D 1742. At sd Meeting The Committe Chosen to veiw & Report as to ye place they should think most suitable for Erecting there Battery upon Reported as follows viz:

Committes reporte Battery We the Subscribers Chosen & appointed by the Town of Plymouth a Committe to Consult & propose a Suitable place in sd Town for the Erecting a Breast work & Plattform. Pursuant to ye Province Grant made to sd Town for that use and to make Reporte to ye Town at ye adjournment of ye Town Meeting to the 22<sup>nd</sup> of October and haveing duly Considered ye Same do make our Reporte That ye place Called Coleshill is ye most Suitable place To Erect sd Breast worke and Plattform.

a Battery on Coles hill

Plym Oct 22 1742

Jno Murdock In Behalf of the Committe

At sd Meeting voted to accept the above Reporte of the Committe Relateing to ye Erecting a Breast work & Plattform on Coles hill.

Agents

At sd Meeting The Town made Choice of James Warren & Isaac Lothrop Jen<sup>r</sup> Esq<sup>rs</sup> Agents to Receive the Towns money Granted by the Generall Court (on ye Conditions mentioned in sd Grant) and They to give Security for ye money in ye Towns behalf agreable to ye Towns vote.

At a Town Meeting Regulerly Assembled and held at Plym on Teusday the fourteenth of December A D 1742.

At said meeting John Blackmer Ebenezer Dunham
Petitt Joseph Ryder & John Waterman were appointed
Jurors Petitt Jurors for December Court instant.

174<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> Jan 10<sup>th</sup> At a Town Meeting Regulerly Assembled and held att Plymouth on Monday the tenth day of January A D 1742. At sd Meeting James Warren

Moderator

Esqr was Chosen Moderator.

Ladders

Voted that Every Dwelling house in this Town be provided with a Suitable & Sufficient Ladder at the Cost of the owner of sd house that it be made and put up at or before the fifteenth of June next on the forfeiture of two shillings & and six pence for every months Neglect.

Voted from and after ye first day of March next & so yearly & Every year here after Every house-

Water

holder that lyes between the house of Deacon John Atwood & the house of Eleazer Churchell including both houses of the sd John and Eleazer Shall within ye Limitation aforesd keep in theire houses yards or Backsides night to theire houses a Hogshead or Two barrells full of water or a Cistern to ye value of a hogshead on pain of forfeiting ye sum of two shillings & sixpence for every months Neglect Notwithstanding this vote all the Houses That stand twenty rods from ye Highway or Kings roade are Excluded from keeping water as aforesaid.

Comitte

Voted That John Murdock and Nathaniel Thomas Esqrs be a Comitte To apply to the next Court of Generall Sessions of the Peace to

[103.] be holden at Plymouth &c on the Third Teusday of January instant in order to get sd Votes allowed & approved of by the Court.

Voted That John Murdock Nathaniel Thomas Esqrs Joseph Bartlett and Joseph Warren or Either of them be impowered to prosecute any persons that shall neglect to be provided as aforesaid, and said meeting is adjourned to monday the 14<sup>th</sup> of February A D 1742 at Two of the Clock in the afternoon.

At a Town Meeting Regularly Assembled and held at Plymo on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> of February A D 1742.

Petitt Jurors

At said meeting John May Ebenezer Spooner Samuell Kempton & Thomas Davie were appointed to serve on the Petitt Jury for the next Inferieur Court on the First teusday of March next.

Grandjurors

At said meeting Thomas Spooner & Benjamin Ryder were chosen to Serve on the Grandjury for the Ensuing year.

1742/3 Mar 7<sup>th</sup> At a Town Meeting Regularly assembled and held at ye Court house In Plymouth on Monday ye 7th day of March A Dom 1742. At sd Meeting Lazarus Le Baron was Chosen Moderator Town Clerk

ye Saxton

Reconsidered

## PLYMOUTH RECORDS.

At sd Meeting Samuell Bartlett Esqr was

Chosen Town Clerk and sworn to the faithfull

discharge of sd office pr Nathaniel Thomas Esor Selectmen At sd meeting the Town Chose James Warren Esqr Josiah Morton Stephen Churchell Haviland Torrey & Lazarus Le Baron Selectmen for ye Ensuing year. At sd Meeting Josiah Morton Stephen Churchell Assessors & Sam<sup>11</sup> Bartlett Esq<sup>r</sup> were Chosen Assessors for ye Ensuing year. At sd meeting Ephraim Cobb Lemuell Morton Constables & Thomas Clarke Jun were Chosen Constables for The Ensning year. At sd meeting Silas West Nath<sup>1</sup> Croade Jabez Holmes and Nath1 Bartlett were Chosen Tytheing-Tytheingmen men for ye Ensuing year. At sd meeting Thomas Foster was Chosen Town Town Treasurer Treasurer for the Ensuing year. At sd meeting Solomon Silvester Joseph War-Fence Viewrs & ren Thos Bartlett Eleaser Churchell Timo Morton field & Cornelius Holmes were Chosen Feild Drivers Drivers & Fence Viewers for ye Ensuing year. At sd meeting Nath<sup>1</sup> Bartlett Elkanah Totman Ichabod Sampson George Holmes Michael Burne Hogreeves Thomas Spooner and Cornelius Holmes were Chosen Hogreeves for ye Ensuing year. Sealers At sd meeting Thomas Spooner & Consider of Leather Howland were Chosen Sealers of Leather for ye Ensuing year. At sd meeting Stephen Churchell & Judah West Surveyrs were Chosen Surveyors of Lumber for ye Ensuing of Lumber year. Deer At sd meeting Sam<sup>1</sup> Ellis & Abraham Jackson were Chosen to Take Care of the Deer Act ye Ensuing year. Act At sd Meeting a Vote was Called Whether or no the Town would allow to Eleaz' Rogers for his vote for Extraordinary services as Saxton more than his

Settled Salary. Voted in ye affirmative.

At sd Meeting the Town Voted to Reconsider

sd Vote Respecting ye Saxton and Voted to act no further on that affair at this meeting.

[104.] At sd Meeting the Town put in Their votes for a County County Treasurer and Delivered them To James Treas' Shurtleff Constable.

Thos Spooner

At sd Meeting James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> Stephen Churchell & Haviland Torrey were Chosen a Committe to view and Consider the peice of Land Requested by Thomas Spooner To hire of ye Town to set a shop on (as mentioned in the Warrant) and to make Report to the Town at the adjournment of this meeting.

Then the Town Meeting was Adjourned To Monday ye 14<sup>th</sup> of March Currant at Two of ye Clock P M.

1742/3 Mar 14<sup>th</sup> At a Town Meeting held at ye Court House in Plymouth on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March A D 1742 By Adjournment from Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> of March Current.

Moderator

At sd Meeting Deacon Haviland Torrey was Chosen Moderator in ye Room of Lazarus Le Baron He being absent & out of Town.

Surveyors of Ways

At sd Meeting Bennajah Pratt & Benjamin Cornish Were Chosen (& they accepted) surveyors of Highways in sd Town for ye Ensuing year on the same Terms & Conditions That sd Pratt & Sam¹ Ellis served in sd office the Last year.

Collectors Allowance At sd Meeting Voted that ye Collectors for Collecting & paying in ye Towns Money Shall be paid Six pence pr pound They Giveing Bonds to ye Town Treasurer for their Seasonable Collecting & paying in the same.

Collectors

At sd Meeting The Constables Ephraim Cobb & Lemuel Morton were Chosen Collectors for ye Ensuing year on the Conditions abovs<sup>d</sup> and they accepted.

1743 At a Town Meeting held in the Court House in

May 16th

Plymouth on Monday the 16th day of May A Dom 1743 Regularly Assembled.

Petit Jurors At sd meeting Elisha Doten William Lucas Thomas Murdock & Josiah Churchell were Chosen to serve on ye Petit Jury for ye Next Inferiour Court on ye third Tuesday of May Currant.

Representative

At sd Meeting James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chosen Representative for the Ensuing year.

Moderator

At sd Meeting James Warren Esq<sup>r</sup> was Chose Moderator.

Committe on Sarah Tinckom At sd Meeting The Town voted Mess<sup>18</sup> Josiah Cotton Esq<sup>1</sup> Thomas Holmes Josiah Morton Joseph Morton & Thomas Foster a Committe to Consider the Circumstances of ye Widdow Sarah Tinckom and Requesting ye Charges of her maintenance heretofore as also for her Comfortable Support & maintenance for future, as also to Inspect into ye Circumstances of any Estate sd Sarah has been heretofore Legally Entitled to, And to make Report to This Town at Their next Town Meeting.

Premium for killing Wolfs At sd meeting the Town Voted Ten Pounds old Ten<sup>r</sup> to be paid out of the Town Treasury as a Premium to any person or persons That shall between this and ye first day of March next Kill a Grown Wolf and bring the head Thereof to ye Selectmen of This Town within sd Term, and so in proportion to sd sum for a young wolf so killed and brot in as aforsd as is provided & allowed by the Late Act of ye Province for the Killing of Wolves, and the same premium as aforsd for Each Grown (or young) Wolf so Killed and Brot in. Provided sd Wolf or Wolves are Killed within ye County of Plymouth or within ye Town of Sandwich

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